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Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, with Distinguished Guest Dr. Vairavan Ramanathan proceeding to Vallal Alagappan Memorial Building to place wreaths at the Samadhi on the 110<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Vallal Alagappan

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## *From the Vice-Chancellor*

I am glad that Alagappa University is marching steadfast in meeting the mandate of Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) to enhance the quality and excellence in Teaching and Research under RUSA 2.0 Scheme. As part of this exercise, the participation of 44 Eminent Professors from QS Ranked Universities from various parts of the world in the broad based boards of studies meetings conducted in all the 44 Departments of Study in Alagappa University to update and redesign the curriculum to the global standards was a noteworthy task initiated during the quarter April-June 2019.

The enthusiasm shown by the Heads of Departments and Faculty Members in this endeavour deserve appreciation. Exposure to the world level changes brought in in the syllabi of programmes of study is certainly a positive step to take the University to the next phase. It was possible owing to the generous financial support extended by the MHRD-UGC under RUSA 2.0 scheme.

At the same time it reminds me of the crucial role and committed responsibility of teachers in taking the rich content of updated curriculum to the stakeholders. Strong will and earnest involvement is needed for its proper implementation and success. Let us hope for the best.

With usual fervour and gaiety, the 110th Birth Anniversary of the Founder of this great institution Vallal Dr. Alagappan was celebrated on 6th April 2019 and the Founder's beloved grandson Dr. Vairavan Ramanathan delivered the Founder's Day Oration. The distinguished speaker said that as a boy he could see the untiring and ceaseless work of Alagappan in the last few years of his life. His life, indeed, remains a message for all of us to strive continuously towards achieving our goals by overcoming all the difficulties.

Mention must be made of a scholarly lecture delivered by Shri Suresh K. Goel, an eminent bureaucrat and former Ambassador to Lao People's Democratic Republic, on the topic "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam : The Source of India's Cultural Diplomacy" describing cultural diplomacy as the "civilizational gift of India to the world much like zero or the concept of infinity".

As reported in the earlier issue of newsletter, the ancient Indian art of Yoga is taught to all the students of the University and to the general public interested in learning this art. Under Integrated Examination Management System initiated recently, the University has adopted "on-screen evaluation system" for error-free marking of answer scripts. Other events of significance reported by all the four Faculties adorn the pages of the slender volume of AZHAGU NEWSLETTER.

With Best Wishes

**Prof. N.Rajendran**  
Vice-Chancellor

## 110<sup>TH</sup> BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF VALLAL ALAGAPPAR CELEBRATED



The 110th Birth Anniversary of Vallal Alagappan was celebrated on a grand scale at the University on 06.04.2019. The celebrations began in the early morning with the floral tributes paid by Vice-Chancellor Prof. N. Rajendran, Registrar Prof. H.Gurumallesh Prabu, Syndicate Members, Officials of the University, Teaching and Non Teaching Staff, Students, Alumni and Admirers of Alagappan at Vallal Alagappan Memorial Building.

Presiding over the commemoration function held later at L.C.T.L. Palaniappa Chettiar Auditorium, the Vice-Chancellor said: "To Vallal Alagappan, life was indeed a big dream and he was keen on making his dreams come true. Towards this he spent every minute of his precious life in spite of innumerable difficulties and sufferings he encountered owing to failing health in his short span of life." He stated that a Resource Centre will be established as part of Vallal Alagappan Museum. Efforts will be taken to collect rare books on Alagappan, his valuable letters and other documents relating to his life and works and they will be displayed at the Centre for the benefit of posterity. His valuable letters revealed his sharp intellect and they will be published by the University soon. It was Alagappan who made his sleepy hometown Karaikudi a hub of educational institutions. He appealed to the government to award "Bharat Ratna" title to Alagappan in recognition of his services to the cause of education.

Dr. Vairavan Ramanathan, the grandson of Vallal Alagappan, delivered the Founder's

Day Oration. He said that enormous confidence, unassailable enthusiasm, unstinted perseverance and incomparable philanthropic attitude went into the making of Alagappan's multifaceted-personality. Although he was ill, he did not give up an iota of hope and confidence and succeeded remarkably in all his endeavours in the fields of industry and commerce. He volunteered everything for establishing educational institutions which stand today as testimony to his unbounded generosity. Dr. Umayal Ramanathan, Ms. Devi Alamelu Vairavan and VIPs from the town graced the occasion by their presence.

Dr.T.R.Gurumoorthy, Member of Syndicate, Mr. M. Balasubramanian, Deputy Registrar, Mr. Raja Suriya, a student of the Centre for Skill Development, spoke on the occasion.

Earlier, Dr. H. Gurumallesh Prabu, Registrar, welcomed the gathering and paid rich tributes to the Founder recalling his services for the uplift of the down-trodden people. He added that Alagappan's life and works will ever remain as synonyms for philanthropy.



## ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY SECURES 28<sup>TH</sup> PLACE AMONG THE “UNIVERSITIES CATEGORY” IN NIRF RANKING



NIRF ranking is being done annually by the MHRD from 2016 onwards and this is the fourth year of ranking.

The following parameters are adopted while ranking the universities —1) Teaching, Learning and Resources 2) Research and Professional Practice 3) Graduation Outcome 4) Outreach and Inclusivity and 5) Perception of the public, academics and employers to improve quality in higher education.

Overall, 3127 institutions under various categories / domains were evaluated and assigned ranks based on total sum of marks scored under each parameter. Overall score of Alagappa University is 48.54, which is higher than the last year Overall Score of 48.25. This shows slight improvement in the Teaching Learning and Resources, Graduation Outcome and Perception of public, academics and employers.

Alagappa University has secured the 28th position among the “Universities Category” and 47th position under the “Overall Category” among the 3127 higher educational institutions assessed at the national-level for the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2019.

The Hon’ble President of India Thiru. Ram Nath Kovind released the NIRF Ranking 2019 at the Release & Award Ceremony – India Rankings 2019 function organized by the Ministry of Human Resource Development

(MHRD) held at New Delhi on 08.04.2019.

Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University and Dr.J.Jeyakanthan, Coordinator of NIRF, praised the efforts of the Alagappa University staff and said that the institution could achieve this position owing to a number of quality and innovative academic and research activities carried out by the faculty members during the assessment year. They added that this achievement is the culmination of coordinated efforts of both the academic and administrative staff and research scholars and they also said that the success was owing to the enrichment made in the instructional and infrastructural facilities.

### Lecture On “Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam: The Source Of India’s Cultural Diplomacy”

Under the “Distinguished Lecture Series” sponsored by the Ministry of External Affairs, Shri Suresh K.Goel, Former Indian Ambassador to Lao People’s Democratic Republic, delivered a special lecture on the topic “Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam, The Source of India’s Cultural



Diplomacy” at Alagappa University, on 22.04.2019.

Presiding over the programme Prof. N.Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, said that Cultural Diplomacy is recognised as an important instrument of foreign policy in establishing broader international linkages among peoples and countries. The role of diplomat in today's world is very crucial and he should have a deeper understanding and knowledge about the civilization and culture of the countries besides a thorough grasp of the foreign policy of the nation. In a world fragmented by strife and terrorism, the practice of the ideal of Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam is very essential for maintaining peace, harmony and inter-connectedness of the world for the progress of humanity. Today the foreign policy has changed and the cultural diplomacy is given importance and it is playing a major role in strengthening the ties between countries. India has signed 126 bilateral cultural agreements and is implementing 58 cultural exchange programmes with other countries. Culture is, indeed, a significant aspect of foreign policy and India has all along been giving a prime place to promote culture. Foreign policies of various countries based on wars have disappeared after the war, but the policies based on culture will have a permanent and deeper impact and the countries have understood the importance of cultural diplomacy.

Shri. Suresh K.Goel, Former Indian Ambassador to Lao People's Democratic Republic and Former Director General of Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), New Delhi, in his special address, described Cultural Diplomacy as the civilizational gift of India to the world much like zero or the concept of infinity. “The concept of the cultural diplomacy is that the cultural inclusiveness should become central to the global dialogue so that different identities do not interrupt the international order but interact with each other and aggregate into

a common idea to encourage a dialogue in a non-intrusive and non-competitive manner to ensure transformation of the current chaotic order into an actively connected global world in which human interests and the idea of a world as family drive the global forces” he added. He further said that the idea of organising cultural performances and festivals abroad is not just to project Indian culture but to encourage interaction between the Indian cultural ideas and the local cultures. Indian Cultural Centres established abroad aim at creating the cultural dialogues between the countries.

The distinguished speaker observed that the human civilisation is not static. “With evolution of human race and rapid technological revolution new ideas and new structures take shape. Robotics, Artificial Intelligence, Cyber are all as much a reality today as they were part of mythological imaginations yesterday. They need to find expression in the cultural dialogue today. Youth is not just participant in today's conversations. He is the initiator and creator of this phenomenon”. He concluded his speech by saying that “cultural diplomacy can create a huge platform for the success of our traditional diplomacy. At the same time, caution needs to be exercised since it does not substitute the hard core negotiations for competitive national interests”.

In an interactive session that followed the lecture programme Shri. Suresh K. Goel provided interesting answers to a series of questions posed by the students on India's foreign policies and other related matters. Earlier he declared open a mini library established at the official residence of the Vice-Chancellor.

Members of the Syndicate, Deans of various Faculties, teaching and non-teaching staff and students participated in the programme.

Prof. H. Gurumallesh Prabu, Registrar, welcomed the gathering and Prof. K. Uthayasuriyan, Controller of Examinations, proposed a vote of thanks.

## Integrated Examination Management System Initiated at The University



Alagappa University has introduced 'On-screen Evaluation System'. To begin with, the new system is implemented for the Post Graduate Courses of University Departments and Affiliated Colleges. Funded under the MHRD's RUSA 2.0 Scheme, this system aims at the quality enhancement of teaching and research.

Prof.N.Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, launched the programme on 17.05.2019. He stated that the "On-screen Evaluation" is an easy and error-free system. Every action is recorded and answer scripts cannot be tampered with. The system works out in such a way that no miscalculation or missing of answers for marking is possible. The screen moves on to the next page only after an evaluator completes the previous page, the Vice-Chancellor said.

The following is the On-screen Evaluation Process

- Answer Scripts are scanned and transmitted to server
- Automatic generation of random numbers for each script is done
- Question paper and scheme of valuation are scanned and made available on-screen during valuation
- Anonymous scripts: All information regarding the candidate is masked out for evaluators
- Then copies of the scanned images are distributed electronically and evaluated on-screen by evaluators
- Provision is made to carry out multiple valuations simultaneously

- For re-valuation, the specified scripts could be extracted and can be made available for valuation to the evaluators
- After valuation final scores are to be tabulated automatically as digital output to the existing examination server for result processing in the format required by the University.

With the implementation of the New Digital Valuation System, the University has end to end Examination Management System that automates the complete life cycle of Examination Management which includes online registration of candidates, examination fee management, internal marks uploading, online hall ticket generation, digital evaluation, publication of result, printing of mark sheets and certificates and certificate authentication system, the Vice-Chancellor added.

Through the implementation of this scheme, there can be great improvement in the speed, reliability, efficiency and accuracy of the entire process of the examination system in the University. Students will be benefited most with the availability of accurate information with the click of a mouse and the system would help in the timely declaration of results. The time for re-evaluation is greatly reduced as answer sheets are available online and can be re-assessed immediately by the respective examiners. This will facilitate for providing copies of answer sheets to students online rather than tracing the physical answer sheet and then photocopying it. The University Staff will also be benefited as the process will be more efficient, data handling will be easy; and tedious manual tasks are replaced by technological solutions in the system. This will also bring more credibility to the examination system of the University.

Prof. H. Gurumallesh Prabu, Registrar, Dr. V. Balachandran, Finance Officer i/c, Dr. K. Uthayasuriyan, Controller of Examinations, Members of Syndicate Dr. J. Jeyakanthan, Dr. TR.Gurumoorthy and Dr.R.Swaminathan, Faculty members from the Dept. of Computer Science and Applications, Officials, Staff of Examination section participated in large numbers.

## Mou signed between Alagappa University and N. Ramavarier Ayurveda Foundation



Dr. Ramesh R. Varier, Managing Director, N. Ramavarier Ayurveda Foundation (NRAF) visited Alagappa University, Karaikudi, Tamil Nadu on 18.06.2019 along with Dr. Suresh Govindan, Research Head of NRAF and Dr. Shenbagarathai, Senior Scientist in order to sign an MoU and establish research collaboration with Alagappa University. Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Singh, Professor, Department of Bioinformatics, Dr. Ramesh R. Varier, Managing Director of NRAF expressed their heartfelt thanks for giving approval for the execution of MoU. Varier also mentioned that he is really excited to take the research work to the next level and to receive the patent for the lead molecules identified by Prof. Sanjeev Kumar Singh of Alagappa University.

NRAF is a non-profit wing of the AVN group and it is actively engaged in research, development and training. AVN Arogya Ayurvedic Hospital was established in 1930 at Madurai by the renowned Ayurvedic Physician Arya Vaidyan N. Rama Varier and NRAF was created with the objective of promoting research and education in the field of Ayurveda. The organization has engaged in the development of over 30 Proprietary Ayurvedic products and has also applied for a patent for invention of a new method of preparing highly potent tailams and ghrithams. The mission of the foundation is to propagate the ancient & traditional system of Ayurvedic medicine in India & abroad and

to develop research projects to understand the mechanistic action of Ayurvedic medicines.

Dr. Ramesh R. Varier met Vice-Chancellor Prof. N. Rajendran of Alagappa University, in his chamber and explained the benefits of introducing Ayurveda in the health care sector. He also mentioned that modern scientific technology has been incorporated to bring out the safety and efficacy of Ayurvedic preparations in modern dosage forms. The organization has also carried out clinical trials to establish the safety & efficacy of Ayurvedic medicines and treatment procedures. Vice-Chancellor Prof.N.Rajendran spoke about various facilities available in the University for research and the achievements of Alagappa University as the only State university to be given Rs.100 Crore funding under RUSA 2.0 scheme and the second university among the state Universities in India.

Prof. Singh mentioned during the meeting that NRAF helps in carrying out the experimental studies for the lead molecules identified through computational approaches and its expertise helps in understanding the mechanism and the activity of the identified compounds. Prof. Singh assured that the collaboration between NRAF and Department of Bioinformatics, Alagappa University, will be helpful in developing novel inhibitors and provide thrust to the studies on the identification of lead molecules.

## 5<sup>th</sup> International Day of Yoga Celebrated

A mass yoga demonstration marked the celebrations of 5th International Day of Yoga at Alagappa University, Karaikudi. The faculty, administrative staff, students numbering about 400 participated in the event held on the Science Campus of the University on 21.6.2019. It was jointly organised by the Centre for Yoga Education and NSS of Alagappa University under the guidance and direction of the Ministry of Human Resource, Govt. of India and the University Grants Commission, New Delhi.

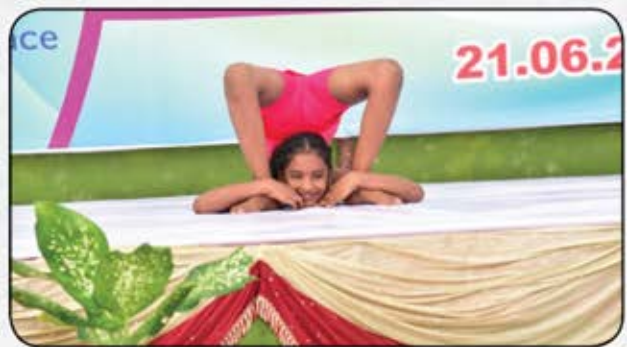




Participating in the mega event Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University said that the objective of conducting the yoga day is to spread to the entire world the immense benefits accruing on account of doing constant yoga practice. Referring to the efficacy of yoga, he added, that the learning of yoga besides providing good health, mental stability and inner peace to the individual paved the way for peaceful community living. He said that yoga has been introduced as a mandatory subject for all students of Alagappa University pursuing different courses of study. The Centre of Yoga is also offering free training in yoga to the public interested in learning this ancient Indian art. He exhorted the parents to inculcate the yoga culture among children.

The Chief Guest Shri.P.Ganesan, Arjuna Awardee – Kabaddi 1995 and also the Gold Medallist of the 12th Asian Games held in 1994, while offering his felicitations, stated that our forefathers did many physical exercises such as “Suriyanamaskar” and other exercises without knowing that they were doing yoga. He averred that playing kabaddi is a great yogic exercise as the players resort to remarkable breath control. He added that today the entire world evinces keen interest in learning this art propagated by our ancestors which would lead to international peace and harmony.

The ten-year-old girl M.Gayathiri who is being trained at the Yoga Centre of the University demonstrated meticulously a number of advanced aasanas and attracted the attention of all the participants. In fact, it became the highlight of the mega event.



Tree saplings were planted by the Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, Syndicate members, other officials and students of the University on the Science Campus to mark this significant occasion. The planting ceremony was organised by the Department of Botany and National Service Scheme (NSS).

Dr.S.Saroja, Coordinator of Centre for Yoga, welcomed the gathering earlier. Dr.M.Natarajan, Programme Officer, NSS, proposed a vote of thanks. The mass yoga demonstration was led by Mr.S.Yokesh Kumar, Yoga instructor of the Yoga Centre. Dr.C.Vairavasundaram, Assistant Professor, Alagappa University College of Physical Education and Dr.V.Rajeshwari, Assistant Professor, Alagappa University College of Education, compered the programme.

## FACULTY OF ARTS

### 128th Birth Anniversary of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar Celebrated

Under the aegis of the Faculty of Arts, Alagappa University, Karaikudi, the 128th Birth Anniversary of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar was celebrated on 15.04.2019 at the University Convocation Seminar Hall.

Presiding over the function, Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, said that nothing could deter Dr. Ambedkar's passion for studies. Overcoming enormous difficulties and sufferings he continued his pursuit of knowledge and achieved peaks of success in every walk of life and proved himself



a multidimensional personality of great calibre. He added that Jawaharlal Nehru considered Dr. Ambedkar "as the most learned person in the whole of Asia" and included him in his first list of cabinet ministers and gave him the most important portfolio of law. His life, indeed, reveals how one could achieve everything through education and perseverance. It is in fact a lesson to be learnt by one who strives for great success and fulfillment in his life. If martyrs brought freedom by their sacrifice to our country from the shackles of alien rule, it was Ambedkar and his team drafted the Constitution to protect and preserve human freedom, dignity and rights. His contribution to democratic rights of individuals is substantial.

In his special address Dr. J. Vincent Comraj, Professor, School of Excellence in Law, Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai, stated that Ambedkar was a visionary icon who fought for the rights of the suppressed subalterns. He said that Ambedkar could study the Indian society from a pathological perspective and analyzed the maladies afflicting the society and offered remedies for eradicating them. Referring to the egalitarian perspective of Ambedkar he quoted Ambedkar's views on gender-based equality, social equality and economic equality. Then the distinguished speaker made a reference the prognostic perspective of Ambedkar and said that Ambedkar being a visionary could predict what would happen in future. He cited and quoted Ambedkar's views on the selection of Supreme Court judges as an example. Ambedkar could foresee complexities of many issues pertaining

to law in India owing to social ills and evils. Prof. Vincent Comraj exhorted the youth to dream with Ambedkar to create an egalitarian society. His life should inspire the youth and instil in them an unstinted confidence. His life is, indeed, a living model for infusing unshakeable confidence in youth.

Dr. K.R. Murugan, Dean, Faculty of Arts, organized the function. Dr. P. Madhan, Associate Professor and Head i/c, Department of English and Foreign Languages, welcomed the gathering earlier. Dr. M. Pandi, Professor and Head, Department of Tamil and Dr. B. Dharmalingam, Dean, Faculty of Education, offered felicitations. Six papers highlighting the works and thoughts of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar were presented and prizes were distributed to the best presenters of papers. In an interactive session the chief guest Dr. J. Vincent Comraj clarified the doubts raised by the faculty and students. Dr. A. R. Saravanakumar, Assistant Professor and Head i/c, Department of History, proposed a vote of thanks.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES

### Foreign Expert's Visit for Updation of Syllabus



The Department of English and Foreign Languages conducted the Broad Based Board of Studies meeting on 11th June, 2019 at the Department. Dr. Anitha Devi Pillai, Senior Lecturer from Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, participated in the

meeting in her capacity as Foreign Subject Expert. She provided intellectual inputs and suggestions for the formation of the syllabus on a par with World Class Universities for M.A and M. Phil English Programmes and it will come into effect from the academic year 2019-20. After the meeting was over, the foreign expert delivered a lecture to M.Phil and P.hD students. In the interactive session, that followed, she answered all the questions raised by the students. Then, she visited the faculty library and suggested the purchase of good number of books both on Language and Literature for the further enhancement of the Library.

Besides, Dr.K.Chellappan former Head of the Department of English, Bharathidasan University and the Senior Most Teacher of English in Tamil Nadu, attended the Board of Studies meeting as a Special Invitee and he emphasized that the syllabus framed should make students very knowledgeable about the subject, ethically upright, morally strong and culturally forward, besides making them eligible for facing the challenges of life and also for appointments in educational institutions, private and government sectors. He offered suggestions and guidance for framing a curriculum that will fulfill the objectives specified above. The other members who attended the meeting are: Dr.P.Madhan, Head in charge of English Department and Chairman of Board of Studies, all the faculty members, Dr.K.Chelliah, Prof and Head Department of English, M.K.U, Dr.Isacc Jebastine, former Head, Dept. of English, Bharathidasan University, Trichy and Dr. Rajesh (Alumni), Department of English, DDE, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai.

## CENTRE FOR TAMIL CULTURE

### International Conference Conducted in Singapore

23.05.2019 அன்று சிங்கப்பூரில் நடைபெற்ற கவிமாலை என்னும் நிகழ்வில் காலமெல்லாம் கவிதை என்னும் தலைப்பில் பேரா.சே.செந்தமிழ்ப்பாவை உரையாற்றினார். இச்செய்தி சிங்கப்பூர் நாளிதழில் வெளிவந்துள்ளது.



தமிழ்ப்பண்பாடு மையம் சிங்கப்பூர்த் தமிழாசிரியர் சங்கத்தோடு இணைந்து கற்றல் கற்பித்தல் நவீன ஆய்வுப் போக்குகள் என்னும் பொருண்மையில் சிங்கப்பூரில் பன்னாட்டுக் கருத்தரங்கை 26.05.2019 அன்று நடத்தியது. இக்கருத்தரங்கிற்கு தமிழ்ப்பண்பாட்டுமைய பேராசிரியர் இயக்குநர், முனைவர்.சே.செந்தமிழ்ப்பாவை அவர்கள் வரவேற்புரை நல்கினார். சிங்கப்பூர்த் தமிழாசிரியர் சங்கத்தலைவர் திரு.சி.சாமிக்கண்ணு அவர்கள் தம் உரையில் சிங்கப்பூரில் தமிழை மாணவர்களிடம் கொண்டு சேர்க்கும் விதம்பற்றி எடுத்துரைத்தார். சிங்கப்பூர் சமூக அறிவியல் பல்கலைக்கழக முன்னாள் தமிழ்த்துறைத் தலைவர் முனைவர்.க.சண்முகம் அவர்கள் தலைமை வகிக்க ஆசியமொழிகள் மற்றும் பண்பாட்டுத்துறைத்தலைவர், பேராசிரியர், முனைவர்.ஆ.ரா.சிவகுமாரன் அவர்கள் தொடக்கவுரை ஆற்றினார். ஆசியமொழிகள் மற்றும் தமிழ்மொழி பண்பாட்டுத்துறை இணைப் பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். சீதாலட்சுமி சிறப்புரை ஆற்றினார். மாதவி இலக்கிய மன்றத் தலைவர் தமிழ் நெஞ்சர் டாக்டர் என்.ஆர். கோவிந்தன் மற்றும் உமறுப்புலவர் தமிழ்மொழி நிலைய பாடத்துறைத் தலைவர், முனைவர் ரா.விமலன் ஆகியோர் வாழ்த்துரை வழங்கினர் ஸ்ரீ எஸ்.இராமசாமி நாயுடு ஞாபகார்த்தக் கல்லூரி தமிழ் உதவிப் பேராசிரியர் முனைவர் வே. தனுஜா நிறைவுரை வழங்கினார் சோகா இகேதா கலை மற்றும் அறிவியல் மகலிர் கல்லூரி தமிழ்த்துறைத்தலைவர், திருமதி

சே.கண்மணி சுப்பிரமணியன் நன்றியுரை ஆற்றினார். மலேசியத் தமிழ்ப்புலவர் சங்கத் துணைத்தலைவர் திரு ந.கு.முல்லைச் செல்வன், புதுக்கல்லூரி துணைமுதல்வர் முனைவர். எஸ். பவீர் அஹமது, அய்யநாடார் ஜானகி அம்மாள் கல்லூரி தமிழ்த்துறைத் தலைவர் முனைவர் க.சிவவேசன் ஆகியோர் கருத்தரங்க அமர்வுகளுக்குத் தலைமை வகிக்க மூன்று அரங்குகளில் கட்டுரைகள் வாசிக்கப்பெற்றன. பேராளர்களின் கட்டுரைகள் நூலாக்கம் செய்யப் பெற்று புத்தகக்குறியீட்டு எண்ணுடன் (ISBN) கருத்தரங்கில் வெளியிடப் பெற்றது.

சிங்கப்பூரில் உள்ள மாதவி இலக்கிய மன்றம் பேராசிரியர் சே.செந்தமிழ்ப்பாவை அவர்களின் தமிழ்ப்பணியைப் பாராட்டி 22.05.2019 அன்று நடைபெற்ற 80 ஆவது இலக்கியச்சோலை நிகழ்வில் ஆய்வுச் சுடர் விருது வழங்கிச் சிறப்பித்துள்ளது.

## DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN'S STUDIES

### Broad Based Board of Studies Meeting Conducted to Update Syllabus of Integrated Home Science Programme



The Department of Women's Studies organised a Broad Based Board of Studies Meeting to update the syllabus of M.A. Integrated Home Science programme on 27th May, 2019. The aim of the Broad Based Board of Studies was to redesign the curriculum on the nutritional needs of the family in order to ensure good food handling practices and also to impart the basic knowledge related to textiles used at home and develop skills for their optimum utilization.

The foreign expert Dr. Meera Kaur, Associate Professor, Department of Family

Medicine, University of Manitoba, Canada and Indian experts viz. Dr. S. Lakshmi Manokari, Professor & Head, Department of Textiles and Apparel Design, Periyar University, Salem, Dr. K. Sangeetha, Professor and Head, Textiles and Apparel Design, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, Mr. G. Somasundaram (Industrialist), South Zone Head (Textiles and Clothing), ILFS Clusters Development Initiative Limited, Bangalore, Prof. K.Manimekalai, Head, Department of Women's Studies, Alagappa University, Dr. P. Veeramani, Assistant Professor, Department of Women's Studies, Alagappa University served as resource persons for framing the broad based curriculum in Home Science. The experts provided some significant suggestions and made modifications in the existing curriculum to achieve the educational outcome of the discipline in the contemporary society.

### Broad Based Board of Studies in M.A. Gender Studies



The Department of Women's Studies organised Broad Based Board of Studies in M.A. Gender Studies on 6th June, 2019. The aim of the broad based curriculum is to understand how power relations are maintained and how society changes and also to examine the surrounding world from a gender studies perspective in terms of cultural manifestations, societal institutions, politics and knowledge production. The foreign expert Dr. Eszter Zsofia Toth, Institute of Social and Economic History, E.L.TE University, Hungary and Indian experts viz. Dr. Sudeshna Mukherjee, Assistant Professor, Centre for Women's

Studies, Bangalore University, Bangalore, Prof. K.Manimekalai, Head, Department of Women's Studies, Alagappa University, Dr. P. Veeramani, Assistant Professor, Department of Women's Studies, Alagappa University, Mr. C. Paul Alagarasan, Project Director, Ford Trust (NGO), Maruthangudi, Karaikudi & the alumni Dr. S. Poul Punitha, Assistant Professor, Department of Women's Studies, Alagappa University served as resource persons for framing the broad based curriculum in Gender Studies. The experts made recommendations in the curriculum in which the gender studies transcend disciplinary boundaries and raise questions about the links between power and knowledge in accordance with the development of the gender just society.

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

### Broad Based Board of Studies under RUSA Phase 2.0 Scheme Conducted



The Department of Social Work organized the Broad Based Board of Studies under RUSA Phase 2.0 scheme on 24th June 2019. Academicians from the top QS and NIRF ranked Universities were invited to the board meeting for enriching the curriculum of Social Work Programmes to elevate it to global standards. Dr.Kalpna Goel, Lecturer and Co-ordinator, School of Psychology, Social Work and Social Policy, Whyalla Campus, University of South Australia was invited as Foreign Subject Expert and Dr.Ruchi Sinha, Chairperson, Centre for

Criminology and Justice, School of Social Work, TATA Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai Campus, was invited as Indian Subject Expert. Considering the employability of the students and to meet out the expectations of the Industry Professionals, Shri. R. Subramanian, Ex-President, TVS & Sons, TVS Shichakra Ltd, Madurai was invited. A student alumni, Head and other faculty members were present.

### Special Lecture on Social Work Practice by a Distinguished Scholar



Prof. Kalpana Goel, a distinguished scholar from the University of South Australia, Adelaide, delivered a special lecture on the "Scope of Social Work Practice as a Profession across Boundaries" at the Department of Social Work. She referred to the trends obtaining in social work in Australia. The Social Work students of Australia learn more from the field-work placement and outside the class room, which in turn helps them to gain ample knowledge on their subject. She said it is highly essential for social work students to gain practical knowledge. She added that in India class room communication is considered important whereas in Australia lessons are delivered online also. She also emphasised the importance of collaborative research in Social Work.

## DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

### Services of a Historian and Heritage Activist Recalled



The Department of History, Alagappa University, Karaikudi, conducted a meeting to condole the passing away of S.Muthiah who was well-known as Indian Writer, Journalist, Columnist, Cartographer, Historian and Heritage Activist showing keen interest on the political and cultural history of Chennai. The condolence meeting was held on 23.04.2019 in the Department of History. Vice-Chancellor Prof. N. Rajendran, who spoke on the occasion, pointed out the accomplishments of S.Muthiah and said his books on the history of Madras city - - Madras Discovered (1981) and Madras Rediscovered - - were remarkable contributions to historical research. His journalistic pieces and columns published in The Hindu for many decades delighted many readers. The Vice-Chancellor added that the demise of Muthiah is a great loss to the fields of historical research and journalism. The meeting was organized by the Faculty of Arts Dean Prof. K.R.Murugan, Dr.AR.Saravanakumar, Head i/c, Department of History and Dr.G.Paranthaman Assistant Professor.

## DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

### Special Lecture on Publishing Papers in Reputed Journals

Dr. Suresh Babu, Senior Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Washington, DC, USA, delivered



a Special Lecture on "Publishing Papers in Reputed Journals" for the benefit of the teachers of Arts, Education and Management Faculties of Alagappa University at the Department of Economics and Rural Development on April 24, 2019.

## DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

### Two-Day International Conference on "Enhancement of Technology and Innovations in Contemporary Libraries"



A Two-Day "International Conference on Enhancement of Technology and Innovations in Contemporary Libraries" was held at Alagappa University, Karaikudi, on 24th & 25th April 2019. Sponsored under RUSA Phase 2.0 Scheme, the meet was conducted in association with the Ministry of Culture, New Delhi, Raja Ram Mohun Roy Library Foundation, Kolkatta and Society for the Advancement of Library and Information Science, Chennai.

In his welcome address Dr.S. Thanuskodi, Organising Secretary of the Conference and Professor and Head, Department of Library and Information Science, referred to the relevance and significance of the conference in the global context of the emergence of new technologies

and their adoption in libraries of world ranked institutions of higher learning and research. Following the welcome address, a database containing the profiles of 1624 social science scholars from Southern States developed by the Department of Library and Information Science, Alagappa University, was launched by the Vice-Chancellor.

While delivering the thematic presentation, the Conference Director and Head of the Department of Library and Information Science, Pondicherry Central University, Prof. R. Sevukan said in today's world of information explosion, the conventional methods of providing information to stakeholders will not be sufficient and adequate and hence the use of advanced technologies has become inevitable and urgent. To use the advanced technologies effectively, creativity and innovation are the two intrinsically paired issues that have to be addressed in a country like India, which is still in a growing stage. The Conference, he said, aims at enlightening delegates from India and abroad to enhance the use of new and emerging technologies for promoting serious research.

Presiding over the Conference, Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, said preserving the vast compendium of knowledge for posterity is the key role of library professionals and by being user-friendly they can inculcate the reading habit among the youth which is dwindling owing to many factors. In a country like India with many languages and enormous quantum of writing, the modern technologies can be used effectively and fruitfully for safeguarding them for the use of future researchers. He added that library is the heart and soul of an educational institution and it is well said that libraries have changed the face of the earth. Modern technologies are offering easy access to required information and data to researchers and are providing them with ample time space for original and innovative thinking. This advantage has to be well-utilised by the modern researchers. He said deliberations of

scholars would be of great help to adopt new technologies in Indian libraries. He appreciated the organisers of the Conference for inviting distinguished scholars from countries like Taiwan, South Korea and Sri Lanka besides eminent professors from across the nation.

In his keynote address Prof. Yuen – Hsien Tseng of National Taiwan Normal University, Taiwan, highlighted how Content Analysis Toolkit for Academic Research (CATAR) could be used as an effective infometrics analysis tool. He added that research performance can be measured by the quantity and quality of research papers published in international journals with impact factor and said such publications would increase the visibility of the institution helping it to get good ranking at the global level. He made a reference to the indicators considered by Times Higher Education Supplement U.K. for giving World University Rankings.

Dong – Geun Oh, Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, Keimyung University, South Korea, in his special address, exhorted the dynamic librarians to continually update their knowledge on the technological developments and trends and evolve their own strategies appropriate for their own libraries. They must select and use the apt technology to cater to the changing needs of the users. Best innovative practices should be given prime importance. He concluded his speech by saying that Library and Information Science (LIS) professionals need to be prepared for the future in advance and made to think all the possibilities innovatively to serve the users.

Dr. K. Elavazhagan, Librarian & Chief Knowledge Officer, Indian Institute of Management, Trichy & President, Society for the Advancement of Library and Information Science, who spoke on the occasion, said that explosion of information, duplication of information and fake information are the three major problems encountered by LIS

professionals today. He cautioned them to be careful in handling and disseminating information to the end-users. To overcome these problems LIS professionals need to think and rethink innovatively with creativity to disseminate filtered information in tailor – made form.

A book containing 135 abstracts of research papers was released by the Vice-Chancellor and copies were given to the distinguished guests. 22 LIS professionals acted as rapporteurs at the sessions. A total of 125 papers were presented in eleven technical sessions.

Eight invited lectures were delivered by the following eminent professors on the topics of current interest. The distinguished speakers were: 1. Dr. W.A. Weerasooriya, Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka. 2. Dr. Ajay P. Singh, Professor, DLIS, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi 3. Dr. B. Ramesha, Professor, DLIS, Bangalore University, Bangalore 4. Dong-Geun Oh, Professor, Keimyung University, South Korea 5. Dr. C. Jayakumar, Librarian, IIT, Roorkee 6. Kim, Hwicheol, Librarian, Hanyang University Library, Seoul, South Korea 7. Prof. M.F. Hibathul Careem, Registrar, Uva Wellassa University, Sri Lanka 8. Dr. S. Siva Chidambaram, Chief Librarian, AIIMS, New Delhi.

Around 200 scholars from various Universities in India and abroad participated in the conference. Dr. M. Sadiq Batcha, Associate Professor, Annamalai University, presented the conference report. Dr. R. Jeyshankar, Joint Secretary of the Conference, proposed a vote of thanks.

### Three-Day Workshop on Research Methods and LaTeX



A Three-Day Workshop on “Research Methods and LaTeX” was organized by the Centre for Technical and Academic Writing of Alagappa University under RUSA 2.0 Scheme. The Workshop was conducted from 24th to 26th June 2019 at the Conference Hall of the Science Campus in which 80 Faculty Members from various Departments of Study participated. The hands-on training was given to the participants to use the LaTeX software effectively while preparing research documents.

At the inaugural session, Dr. S. Thanuskodi, Professor and Head, Department of Library and Information Science, Alagappa University and Co-ordinator of the Workshop, said that the main objective of the workshop is to help the research scholars and the faculty interested in doing good research acquire the needed skills in writing technical papers, theses, reports by using LaTeX software efficiently. While introducing the experts -- Prof. N. Sundararajan, Former Professor, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore and currently Senior Research Fellow at the School of EEE in the same university and Dr. Mahanand B.S, Former Postdoctoral Fellow at Harvard Medical School, Harvard University, USA and presently Associate Professor of Information Science and Engineering at Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering, Mysuru -- he exhorted the faculty of Alagappa University to learn from the distinguished resource persons the nuances of



effective technical and scientific documentation for presenting their findings with clarity.

The Resource Persons delivered succinct lectures covering the significant aspects of preparing a good thesis. The topics taken up by them for detailed analyses included -- 1. Research Presentation and Planning 2. Research Resources and Literature Review 3. Academic Writing and Oral Presentation Followed at the International Level 4. Research Ethics 5. Research Evaluation by Using Computer 6. Basics of LaTeX 7. LaTeX on Windows 8. Writing Research Papers for Reputed Journals / Thesis in LaTeX.

In the LaTeX Hands-on Session, each participant was allowed to try the examples presented by the Resource Persons and the participants were also permitted to work through practice exercises.

The Valedictory Function was held on 26th evening. Delivering the valedictory address, Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, said that the very presence of two erudite scholars would have enthused and motivated the participants to take up good research work. Effective presentation of findings is very essential in research writing. With the proper learning of LaTeX method the presentation would become very easier, effective and flawless.

Speaking at the function Dr. S. Thanuskodi said as per the Scopus Database that the total publications of Alagappa University is 3403 and h-index is 71. He said it is noteworthy to see a year by year increase in University publications indexed in Scopus. Referring to this notable trend, he added that during the year 2017 publications indexed in Scopus was 265, in 2018 it was 342 and during this year upto May, 2019 it was 234 and by the end of this year, he hoped, it would reach 400.

## DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS

### International Workshop on Kowthuvam



The Department of Fine Arts, Alagappa University, organized an International Workshop on Kowthuvam on 21st May 2019. The inaugural function started with the welcome address by the Head i/c Prof. B. Dharmalingam. The presidential address was delivered by Prof. H. Gurumallesh Prabu, Registrar, Alagappa University. It was followed by a special lecture given by Dr. Ushanthy Nesakanthan. Dr. K.R. Murugan, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Dr. Jothi Basu, Co-ordinator, Cultural Club, offered felicitations. Dr. M.S. Kanagathara of the Department of Fine Arts, proposed a vote of thanks.

Dr. Ushanthy Nesakanthan expressed her great respect for the University founded by no less a person than the great philanthropist Dr. Alagappa Chettiar and congratulated the staff and students of the Department of Fine Arts for evincing keen interest in learning the art of dancing. Kowthuvam was performed within the precincts of the temples in ancient days and now it has gained prominence in Bharathanatyam recitals. She said that she was so pleased about the way the workshop had been organized. The students who attended the workshop had shown keen interest in learning the intricacies of Kowthuvam. The guest speaker, during her meeting with Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-chancellor, Alagappa University, expressed her desire to have an MoU between Alagappa University & Eastern University, Sri Lanka, so that students of both the universities could benefit from the expertise of the staff.

## World Music Day Celebrated

Under the aegis of the Department of Fine Arts, the World Music Day was celebrated on 20.06.2019. The event was chaired by Vice-Chancellor Prof.N.Rajendran. He said that music transcends all language barriers and it is related to creativity in its pure form. Music is created by the master composer who blends with finesse what the heart and the soul reveal to him. The musician uses his creativity and imagination to render abstract into concrete form so as to appeal to the aesthetic sense of the listener. He averred that practice of music helps the individual to relax. Listening to good and soft music is always a great stress buster and it helps people to get rid of tension and anxiety from the mind offering complete relaxation to the body. It also offers needed energy to accomplish the tasks in an exemplary way.



In her special address Dr. V.V. Meenakshi, Principal of the Music College attached to the Tamil Isai Sangam(Raja Annamalai Mandram), Chennai, said that soul fulfilling music not only quietens the troubled mind of the listener but also sharpens his wit. She added that the effect produced by the practice of music is like that of the impact created by the practice of Yoga. In fact it is likened to yogic practice and helps to acquire concentration.

Kalaimamani Dr. M.S. Sarala, Director, Kalaikovil Dance Academy, in her felicitation address, said that music helps to sharpen memory power; and she exhorted the learners of music to grasp the techniques, intricacies,

nuances and subtleties of music so as to gain mastery over music.

Students and staff from the Department of Fine Arts and Physical Education and music enthusiasts participated in the celebrations. Earlier, Dr. S. Rajaram welcomed the gathering and Dr. M.S. Kanagathara proposed a vote of thanks.

## FACULTY OF SCIENCE

### DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

#### Theme-Based Lecture ACT Next 2018 Conducted



The Department of Physics and Internal Quality Assurance Cell along with the Departments of Biosensors and Bioelectronics, Nanoscience, Computer Science, Energy Science & Mathematics jointly organized ACT NEXT 2018, a theme based lecture series on 5th April 2019 in the Seminar Hall of the Department of Physics. Prof. G. Ravi, Head, Department of Physics, welcomed the gathering. He highlighted the significance of the programme based on the Nobel Prize theme. He also pointed out the importance and usefulness of Lasers in metallurgy. He referred to the support extended by the IGCAR and BHEL in updating the curriculum of the Physics Department.

Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, in his presidential address, appreciated the Department of Physics for substantially contributing to the academic ambience and to the h-index of the University. He informed that a corpus fund of Rs.10 cores has been allotted for research activities and this fund is

for encouraging students and young scholars to do good research work. He stressed that everyone should share not only the benefits but also the responsibilities. He highlighted various MoUs and MoAs made by Alagappa University with various Universities having top QS ranking. Further, he stated that the University is motivating the young scholars and faculty members to develop passion for serious research by updating the research and extension activities on par with global standard, inviting foreign scholars and exchange of students under RUSA scheme. He further expressed that these theme based lectures will definitely motivate the students to get committed to research.

In his felicitation address, Dr. P. Parameshwaran, Head, XRDSSES, IGGCAR, Kalpakkam focused on how lasers help as silent partners to make our life better and better. He also said that IGCAR is inducting meritorious people and exhorted young scholars to utilize these opportunities. Shri. K. Mahendran, Addl, GM, Hot Mill, BHEL, Tiruchirappalli, in his felicitation address, emphasized that Lasers play an important role directly or indirectly in this technological world. It occupies every part of industries from health care instruments to high end scientific equipments. He appreciated the Department for organizing such events to motivate the young students and scholars. Dr. N. Anandhan, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics proposed a vote of thanks at the end of the programme.

#### **Alumni Meet – 2019**

The 'Alumni Meet - 2019' was conducted on 5th April, 2019, in the Conference Hall, of the Department of Physics. Dr. G. Ravi, Professor and Head of the Department of Physics, welcomed the gathering and narrated the progressive activities that are going on in the department. The Chief Guest Prof. M. Ramachandran, Former Professor of Physics, delivered the inaugural address and



said that the alumni of the Department have been occupying high positions in the field of research and development. He explained how good teacher-student relation and the value based education contribute for the upliftment of the society. He further highlighted the role of science academies for spreading science education and scientific knowledge in India. He appreciated the authorities of Alagappa University for providing liberal financial support to enrich research activities in the department. After the inaugural address, the faculty members delivered their felicitation addresses and appreciated the role of alumni's support and help for the development of the department. It was followed by a feedback session in which Dr. M. Ramesh Prabhu, Dr. R. Yuvakkumar, Dr. S. Sudhahar and Dr. R. Sivakumar participated. The Alumni members appreciated the faculty for creating good facilities for research at the Department of Physics and expressed their happiness for allowing students to carry out characterization studies at a nominal cost. They also appreciated the research outcome of the department. It was decided to form an alumni forum to help students from economically weaker families. A vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. S. Sudhahar.

#### **Parents – Teachers Meet - 2019**

'Parents – Teachers Meet - 2019' was conducted on 5th April, 2019 in which parents of I M.Sc., II M.Sc., and M.Phil Physics students participated. Dr. G. Ravi, Professor and Head of the Department of Physics, welcomed the gathering and said PTA meeting gave a chance

for the parents to interact with the staff members and share their feelings about their wards. Moreover, the meeting provided an opportunity to indicate positive and negative aspects of our department. Dr. M. Ramachandran, Former Professor of Physics, Alagappa University, inaugurated the Parents – Teachers Meet 2019 and presided over the function in which 30 parents and 88 students were present. The faculty members who spoke on the occasion narrated the future scope in terms of job opportunities and avenues in physics and other areas of science. They motivated the students by asking them to develop a passion for acquiring science knowledge and referred to the current career opportunities for science aspirants and the role of scientists in improving the life of people. Parents thanked the University for providing liberal scholarship under RUSA scheme. The faculty members of the department had fruitful interactions with parents and students. The vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. S. Sudhahar, Assistant Professor.

#### **National Recognition to the Department**

The Fourth Advisory Committee Meeting of UGC-SAP-DRS-III was held in the Syndicate Hall of Alagappa University. The Chairman, Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, Prof. D. Velmurugan, Member – UGC Nominee, Prof. P. Kolandaivel, Member – UGC Nominee, Vice-Chancellor, Periyar University, Salem, Prof. G. Ravi, Co-ordinator, Head, Department of Physics, Prof. K. Sankaranarayanan, Deputy Co-ordinator, Department of Physics, were present along with the faculty members of the department. The Advisory Committee members appreciated the maintenance and functioning of the equipments procured under UGC-SAP-DRS III grants. The committee also appreciated the faculty members for their research contribution by using facilities created under UGC-SAP and other

funding agencies. The committee appreciated the progress of work done during the Fourth year (April 2018-March 2019) and expressed happiness for the 63 publications published in International Journals by the faculty members during the academic year.

#### **Broad Based Board of Studies under RUSA-2.0 Scheme Conducted**

A fresh Broad Based Board of studies



was constituted with the inclusion of all faculty members of the Department, subject experts Dr. R. Jayavel, Professor and Director, Centre for Nanoscience and Technology, Anna University, Chennai and Dr. V. Natarajan, Research Scientist 'G', Director, Research and Innovation Centre, Indian Institute of Technology – Madras (IIT-M), Research Park, Chennai, Prof. Dr. S.N. Piramanayagam, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore subject expert from abroad Prof. Dr. R. Paulmurugan, Stanford University, USA, (a special invitee and co-opted member) Dr. K. Devakumaran, Deputy General Manager, Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd., Trichy (from the Industry), and Dr. K. Karthik, DST Inspire Faculty, CSIR-CERI, Karaikudi. (a student Alumni). The meeting was conducted to review and modify the existing syllabi for M.Sc., M.Phil and Ph.D Programmes in Physics. The experts gave their inputs to enrich the syllabus to global standard.

#### **Presentation of Research Papers and**

### Awards Received

- Dr. R. Yuvakkumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, presented his research finding entitled "Synthesis and characterization of Mn<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>/MnSnO<sub>3</sub> nanocomposites for supercapacitor applications" in the 10th International Conference on Materials for Advanced Technologies (ICMAT-2019) during 23/06/2019 to 28/06/2019 held at Marina Bay Sands, Singapore.
- Ms.B.Jansi Rani, Research Scholar, presented her research finding on "Multifunctional mono-dispersed SmMn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> nanorods for electrochemical energy applications" in the 10th International Conference on Materials for Advanced Technologies (ICMAT-2019) held from 23/06/2019 to 28/06/2019 at Marina Bay Sands, Singapore.

### DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY

#### Special Lecture on Cheminformatics Approach for the Design and Development of Molecules for Cancer Treatment



The Department of Industrial Chemistry arranged a special lecture programme on 5th April 2019 in which Dr. S. Kabilan, Dean, Faculty of Science, Annamalai University, Annamalainagar, spoke on "Cheminformatics Approach for the Design and Development of Molecules for Cancer Treatment". Dr. G.

Paruthimal Kalaignan, Senior Professor & Head, Department of Industrial Chemistry, Alagappa University, welcomed the participants and introduced the guest speaker highlighting his profile to the audience and also briefly referred to the University's achievements and history of the Department of Industrial Chemistry and their contribution to the development of Alagappa University

In his speech, the distinguished guest speaker Dr. S.Kabilan explained in detail the drug discovery in terms of the molecular modeling and docking by the computational chemistry to the pharmaceutical aspects. Particularly he mentioned that the medicinal applications with respect to the Computational analysis tools and decision support systems have increased their penetration in support of clinical processes and management of medical data and knowledge. Applications range from adjunct tools for diagnosis and disease investigation to the treatment and monitoring of therapeutic procedures. He thoroughly explained the issues pertaining to applications of computational intelligence. He also mentioned that chemical synthesis analysis and pathway design have been transformed from a complex problem to a regular process of structural simplification. The lecture aimed at summarizing the developments of computer-assisted synthetic analysis and design in recent years, and how machine-learning algorithms contributed to them. More than 150 participants attended the special lecture programme. Dr.T.Stalin, Assistant Professor delivered a vote of thanks.

### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY SCIENCE

#### Elected Fellow of the Academy of Sciences

The Academy of Sciences, Chennai, has elected Prof. S. Karuppuchamy, Head of the Department of Energy Science, Alagappa



University as a FELLOW of the Academy of Sciences, Chennai, in the year 2018 recognising his contribution to the advancement of sciences especially in Chemical and Materials Sciences.

Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, congratulated Prof. S. Karuppuchamy on his achievement. Prof. H. Gurumallesh Prabu, Registrar, Alagappa University was also present on this occasion.

## DEPARTMENT OF BIOINFORMATICS

### Three Ph.D. Scholars Selected to Pursue Research at NSRRC in Taiwan



Three research scholars -- M.Amala, R.Guru Raj Rao and P.Saritha -- pursuing their doctoral degree at the Department of Bioinformatics, Alagappa University, Karaikudi under the guidance of Dr.J.Jeyakanthan have been selected to carry out their research work for a period of one year at the National Synchrotron Radiation Research Centre (NSRRC), Taiwan. At Taiwan they will do their research under the guidance of Prof.CJ.Chen, Deputy Director, NSRRC and Joint Professor, Institute of Biotechnology, National Cheng Kung University. Both these Universities are QS World Ranked institutions. NSRRC, Taiwan

is one among the very few institutes around the globe with high intensity synchrotron facility that entertains researchers from diverse fields to utilize their resources. The researchers will study the crucial enzymes responsible for various life-threatening lifestyle diseases such as cancer, diabetes mellitus and infectious diseases like nosocomial, filariasis and malaria that will aid in the identification of potential novel drugs to counter the aforementioned diseases.

It may be noted that apart from the MoU signed between Alagappa University, Karaikudi and National Synchrotron Radiation Research Centre, Taiwan, the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Govt of India has sanctioned an amount of Rs.227.29 lakhs for a research project under the India-Taiwan programme. The expenses of the research scholars will be partially met by Alagappa University through MHRD-RUSA-2.0 for travel and the NSRRC, Taiwan will provide accommodation and food during their stay.

On the other end, the research students from NSRRC, Taiwan, will also work in Structural Biology and Bio-Computing Laboratory at Alagappa University under this joint venture. The scholars received the permission and invitation letter for the visit to NSRRC, Taiwan from the Vice-Chancellor Prof.N.Rajendran in the presence of Prof.H.Gurumallesh Prabu, Registrar, Dr. J.Jeyakanthan, Professor & Head, Department of Bioinformatics, Prof.C.Sekar, Director, Centre for International Relations (CIR) and Prof.Sanjeev Kumar Singh, RUSA Co-ordinator, Alagappa University, Karaikudi.

## DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

### Research Collaboration between Cornell and Alagappa Universities

Professor Dr. Anthony G. Hay, Department of Microbiology, Cornell University, USA, visited Alagappa University, Karaikudi, in connection with the initiatives taken by the



Alagappa University under – RUSA phase 2.0 programme for the purpose of establishing research collaboration. During his visit Prof. Hay met Vice-Chancellor Prof. N. Rajendran of Alagappa University at his Chamber on 20.05.2019 and explained the possible areas of research collaboration between Cornell and Alagappa Universities.

The Vice-Chancellor briefed him about various modern facilities available for research at Alagappa University and stated that Alagappa University is the only State University that has been sanctioned hundred crores under RUSA-2.0 scheme. He added that the University has been graded as category-I University by the MHRD and recalled that Alagappa University had already signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the Cornell University on 19th March 2019 to promote research cooperation for advancement of scientific research and technological development.

The Vice-Chancellor further said that the MHRD, Govt. of India, has signed MoAs with 13 top US Universities to facilitate international academic exchange, to develop academic and scientific relationship and to encourage collaborative research activities. Cornell University, USA, is one among the 13 US Universities identified by the MHRD for research collaboration. Dr. Hay of Cornell University is an expert who has extensively worked in the fields of Environment Toxicology, Microbiology and Soil-Crop Sciences. His projects mostly concentrate on pharmaceutical and personal

care products like antimicrobial triclosan, ibuprofen and the insect repellent DEET.

Dr. Hay highlighted the facilities available for research at Cornell University in an interactive session with the various Heads of the Departments of Alagappa University. During his four-day stay (19.5.2019 to 22.5.2019) at Alagappa University he discussed research collaboration with the faculty at the Department of Bioinformatics, delivered distinguished lecture at the Science Faculty, and took part in the Broad Based Board of Studies (BBOS) of the Department of Bioinformatics.

With Dr. Anthony G. Hay, Prof. Sanjeev Kumar Singh of Alagappa University has been working in the area of Structural Bioinformatics on various targets of life threatening diseases and bacterial diseases. Prof. Singh's expertise on Structural Bioinformatics will help Dr. Hay to screen some compounds on the targets he has been focussing. Dr. Hay's expertise on biodegradation and biofilm formation will help Prof. Singh to validate and optimize the screened compounds in terms of activity and efficacy for curing life threatening diseases. The collaborative research is the bidirectional one and it would help to take the collaboration to the next phase of validation which would help in treating the diseases effectively.

Prof. H. Gurumallesh Prabu, Registrar, Prof. J. Jeyakanthan, Syndicate Member, Prof. K. Uthayasuriyan, Controller of Examinations, Prof. V. Balachandran, Finance Officer i/c, Prof. Sanjeev Kumar Singh, RUSA Coordinator and Heads of Departments of study were present on this occasion.

## International Conference on Bioplastics (BIOP-2019) Organised



An International Conference on Bioplastics (BIOP-2019) was organized by the Department of Microbiology, Alagappa University, Karaikudi, on 2nd April, 2019 in the Conference Hall, at the Science Campus of Alagappa University.

Presiding over the function, Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, rightly pointed out that Alagappa University has now attained a significant place owing to academic excellence at the national level and the faculty must use this as a launching pad for creating benchmark in research. He added that "we should compare our work with the work of universities ranking high globally to move forward". To achieve this global recognition, he stated that 1) Commitment, 2) Passion and 3) Sacrifice are needed. The Vice-Chancellor pointed out that world's 4% annual oil production of fossil fuel is used as feedstock for production of plastics. This creates energy crisis and environmental problems. Bio-plastics is one of the possible solutions for the above said problems. Current trends focussed attention on production of bio-plastic from microorganisms by utilising renewable raw materials. Currently several polymers are synthesized from industrial waste by microbial fermentation.

The Department of Microbiology and Alagappa Institute of Skill Development in collaboration with CSIR, South Africa, have already initiated a collaborative setup for manufacturing bio-plastics production at a cost of Rs.1.83 crores at Alagappa University under

RUSA 2.0 scheme.

Recently Dr.A.Arun, Associate Professor & Head i/c, Dept. of Microbiology of Alagappa University and Prof. Kunyu Zhang and his team members from Tianjin University from China received a fund of Rs.56.57 lakhs under SPARC by MHRD for production of cost effective modified bio-plastics as an alternative for petroleum based plastics. He added that Alagappa University would be signing MoUs with higher world ranking Universities including the Tianjin University, China.

The chief guest, Prof.Kunyu Zhang, Tianjin University, China, in his inaugural address informed that there is a lot of scope for more co-operation between the two departments and even between our two universities. Research on bio-plastics has broad scope and it would provide employment opportunities to the students. Another scholar from the same University Prof. Dr. Dong Po Song, in his felicitation, invited students, scholars and Science Faculty members of Alagappa University to Tianjin University to have research collaboration for the betterment of both the institutions.

Participants from various universities, institutions across the country, Alagappa University Science Faculty Members, Research Scholars and Students from Science Departments were present at the inaugural function. Dr. A. Arun, Head of the Department (i/c.), Alagappa University, Convener and Organizing Secretary of the Conference welcomed the gathering earlier and presented the thematic address Dr. T. Kavitha, Assistant Professor, proposed a vote of thanks.

### Research Project, Paper Presentation and Lecture Programme

- ❖ Dr. A. Arun, Associate Professor and Head (i/c), has received a Consultancy Project (Rs 3,60,000)- for biopolymer research work from Galaxy Research



Technologies, functioning at Alagappa University Campus.

- ❖ Dr. Sudhakar Muniyasamy, Senior Researcher, Nanostructured and Advanced Materials, Chemicals Cluster, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Pretoria, South Africa, delivered an Invited Lecture on "Circular Economy for Innovation in Bioplastics and Biodegradable Products" on 4.7.19. at the Department.
- ❖ Dr. Parasuraman Padmanabhan from Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore served as Adjunct faculty from 1st - 5th July, 2019.

## DEPARTMENT OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

### Two-Day International Workshop on Biomedical Applications in Translational Research Conducted



A Two-Day International Workshop on Biomedical Applications in Translational Research (BATR-2019) was organized by the Department of Biomedical Sciences, Alagappa University, Karaikudi, in association with Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary on 6th and 7th June – 2019 at the Science Campus of the University.

At the inaugural function while welcoming the gathering Prof. S.Ravikumar, Convener of the Workshop, said that the objective of the workshop is to provide a forum for scholars to highlight their research findings and at the same time to help the participants learn about

the recent trends in Biomedical Sciences which helps to develop new treatments and therapies to cure human illness and diseases and to overcome disabilities. Prof. H.Gurumallesw Prabu, Registrar, Alagappa University, while delivering the presidential address, referred to the recent achievements of the University.

Seven eminent scholars in the field--- Dr.Jousmaki Veikko Tapani, Aalto University School of Science, Finland, Dr.Dinesh Kumar Srinivasan, National University of Singapore, Singapore, Dr.Domokos Mathe, Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary, Dr. N.Kabilan, The Tamil Nadu Dr.MGR Medical University, Chennai, Prof.K.Kathiresan, Annamalai University, Parangipettai, Dr.M.Kumaravel, General Manager, Tablets (India), Ltd., Chennai, Dr.Parasuraman Padmanabhan, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore---spoke on the topics such as "Functional neuroimaging in research", "Nano Fibrous scaffolds in biomedical applications", "Radioisotope Molecular Imaging in Cancer Therapy", "Traditional medicine – Research in Siddha Medicine: The way ahead", "Biomedical potential of Marine Organism", "Biomedical potential of Indian medicinal plants", and "Biomedical imaging applications in Translational Research" respectively at the four plenary sessions of the workshop.

Speaking at the valedictory function of the International Workshop, Prof. N.Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, said that it has become highly imperative to enhance quality in every aspect of academia in the current global educational scenario as every institution of higher learning should show progress for gaining world rankings. Under RUSA-2.0 scheme the MHRD has been providing funds to develop infrastructure and enhance quality in teaching and research to Universities which have ranked high at the national level. Ranking, he added, is given based on quality research, effective teaching, and extension work useful

to the society, proper industry – institution linkages and honing the skills of learners for employability purposes. He exhorted the faculty and researchers to publish the outcome of socially relevant research works in impact-creating journals like Scopus indexed journals for the benefit of scholars across the nation and the world as it would help scholars to focus on further innovative research. Prof.G.Archunan, Emeritus Professor, Bharathidasan University, Trichy, while delivering the valedictory address, highlighted why translational research is very essential to the modern world.

246 participants from Tamil Nadu and Karnataka and one scholar from Zhejiang University, China attended the workshop. Dr.P.Ramesh Thangam, Organising Secretary, delivered a vote of thanks.

## FACULTY OF EDUCATION

### ALAGAPPA INSTITUTE OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT

#### Workshop on Virtual Reality for Pedagogy



A Workshop on “Virtual Reality for Pedagogy” was organized by Alagappa Institute of Skill Development, Alagappa University, Karaikudi under RUSA Phase 2.0 scheme. The inaugural function of this Workshop was held at the Central Library Seminar Hall, Alagappa University.

In his presidential address, Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University referred to the commitments of the University to bring foreign experts from globally

ranked Universities to frame world-class curriculum and to deliver special lectures. He stressed upon the relevance and significance of Virtual Reality applications in this current era of high-end computing environment. He felt that the Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality applications will bring huge impact on the learning experiences of the current and future generations of students, as they are very much used to simulate the complex concepts. Further, he added that, under RUSA 2.0 scheme, the University has envisaged for establishing Virtual Reality facilities to carry out teaching-learning and research practices.

Dr.Anand Bhojan of the National University of Singapore delivered the inaugural address and conducted the workshop by demonstrating some Virtual Reality applications developed at National University of Singapore (NUS). In his demonstration, he explained several Virtual Reality applications that are helpful for teaching-learning and as well as in research work. Further, he motivated the participants to avail higher-studies and employment opportunities related to Computer Science disciplines available at Singapore.

About 100 Students, Faculty Members and Research Scholars participated in the Workshop. Dr. B. Dharmalingam, Professor & Director, Alagappa Institute of Skill Development welcomed the gathering and Dr. C. Balakrishnan, Assistant Professor, Alagappa Institute of Skill Development, proposed a vote of thanks.

#### Intranet Application for the University Launched

As a part of e-governance initiatives of Alagappa University under MHRD-RUSA 2.0 scheme an Intranet Application for the University was launched by Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, Karaikudi. It was developed by the faculty and students of Alagappa Institute of Skill Development. The

launching ceremony was held on 1st July 2019 in the Convocation Seminar Hall. After launching the application, he said, "this application will serve as a portal to share and display the University information such as, Circulars, about Conferences and information about all other events in a single platform". Since, this Intranet Application is working in Local Area Network (LAN), there is no requirement of Internet. As this application is having the report repository facility to share reports and images about a particular event, it is easy to share the reports to Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Special Officer (Planning & Development) and Azhagu Newsletter. This application is also having the facility to ensure that all the recipients have received that particular information. Further he added that, this application will enable the University to facilitate paperless administrative communications and several management data that are useful to the staff and students of the University.

Dr. H. Gurumallesh Prabu, Registrar, Dr. K. Uthayasurian, Controller of Examinations, Syndicate Members Dr. J. Jeyakanthan and Dr. T.R. Gurumoorthy and Deans, Heads of the Departments, Officials of the University and administrative staff were present on the occasion.

## DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION SCIENCE

### **Cognizant Foundation Awards Scholarship to B.Ed Special Education Students**

Seven B.Ed Special Education students (S.Kavitha, M.Maha, M.Visalakshi, C.Vinoth. M.Anitha Sundari, S.Parvathi, K.Indhulega) received Cognizant Foundation CSR Scholarship. A sum of Rs.35,000/- was given to each student by the Cognizant Foundation for the academic year 2018-19.



The awardees met Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.Rajendran and received his blessings. Registrar Dr.H.Gurumallesh Prabu and Dr. Sujatha Malini, Head i/c, Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation, were present on the occasion.

### **Educational Visit**

During April 2019 Special Education students visited Amar Seva Sangam, Aiyakudi, Thenkasi, a Non Governmental Organisation serving the cause of Differently Abled Students. and they attended a seminar conducted by the institution and visited various Units of Amar Seva Sangam.

### **Parents-Teachers and Alumni Meet**

On April 12th, 2019 the Parents-Teachers Meet and Alumni Meet were organised in the Department. The parents shared their views with the Faculty and they gave suggestions to improve the welfare of the students. The alumni spoke about the career opportunities available in the field of Special Education.

### **Autism Awareness Day Observed**

The students of the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Science observed Autism Awareness Day. Slogan-Writing and Poster Presentation Competitions were organized and the best presenters were selected and given prizes on April 2nd 2019.

### **College Students Visit the Department**

The students from Adiparasakthi College of Education visited the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Science and Alagappa University Resource School. The

students got a brief introduction on special education and the interventional strategies for children with special needs. They were given exposure to various activities of the department.

### **Achievement of Alagappa University Resource School for Differently Abled**

Alagappa University Resource School for Differently Abled functioning as Extension Service Unit of the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation has excelled in promoting academic excellence and therapeutic services to the Differently Abled. Five Students of the above Unit have cleared 10th Standard with good marks in their 10th Standard Board Examination 2019. V.Sowmiya, R. Megala, S.Charumathi, A.Preethi and M.Muthu Karuppaiah were the Students who were diagnosed with intellectual disability and were motivated to succeed in academics and other activities. Their achievement will be of great encouragement to other differently abled students in the Resource School.

### **Splint and Physiotherapy Supportive Devices Production**

Artificial Limb Production Unit attached to the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Science prepared Splints and other Therapeutic devices for differently abled.

### **Broad Based Board of Studies Conducted**

The Broad-Based Board of Studies for curriculum updation/revision was conducted in the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Science. Subject Experts Prof. Robert Urban, Department of Personality and Health Psychology, Eotvos Lorand University, Hungary, Dr. R.Ranganathan, Professor, Andhra University, Dr.Jayanthi Pujari, Professor, Amity Institute of Behavioural Science, Amity University, Noida, Dr. Bala Baskar, National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities, Chennai, Mr.Ramesh G, Principal, Chettinad Public School, Karaikudi,

participated and prepared Syllabi for Special Education Programmes – B.Ed Special Education (Visual Impairment), B.Ed Special Education (Mental Retardation), M.Ed Special Education (Visual Impairment) and M.Sc Applied Psychology and Diploma Programmes offered in the Department.

## **DEPARTMENT OF LIFELONG LEARNING**

### **Broad Based Board of Studies Organized**

Prof. P.Paul Devanesan, Head of the Department of Lifelong Learning, organized the Broad Based Board of Studies at the department in the presence of Foreign Professor Robert Urban from Hungary on 13.06.2019.



## **ALAGAPPA INSTITUTE OF EDUCATIONAL SCIENCES**

### **Awareness Programme on Sports Nutrition**



Alagappa Institute of Educational Sciences and Alagappa University College of Physical Education jointly organized a One-Day Awareness Programme on Sports Nutrition at Alagappa University College of Physical Education on 03.04.2019. Dr. S. Nagarajan, Professor, AIES, welcomed the gathering. Prof.

P. Sivakumar, Director i/c AIES, delivered the presidential address. In his presidential address he explained what constituted balanced diet and spoke on the need for nutritious food for a healthy living and especially for achieving distinctions in sports activities. He emphasised that a diet should consist of a variety of different types of food providing adequate amounts of the nutrients necessary for good health; and a balanced diet should have proper proportions of carbohydrates, fats, proteins, vitamins, minerals, and water necessary to maintain good health.

Invited speaker Dr. A. Praveen, Associate Professor, Department of Physical Education from Pondicherry University, delivered the keynote address on the topic "Importance of Nutrition for Enhancement of Performance among Sports Persons". He highlighted that nutrition is important for athletes because it provides a source of energy required to perform the activity. Good nutritious food is very important during exercise because it has an effect on the amount of water in our body and it is also important for muscles to work. Athletes should eat a balanced diet with a variety of foods to make sure they get enough vitamins and minerals. Vitamins that help for good performance include Vitamin B, C, D, E, Iron and Magnesium. He also explained the concept of Carbohydrate loading. Faculty members, scholars and students of AUCPE participated in the programme. After the keynote address, the interactive session started and that led to interesting discussion. All the participants actively involved themselves in discussion. A vote of thanks was proposed by Prof. K. Muralirajan of AIES.

### 69th Anniversary of the Founding of Alagappa University College of Education Celebrated



The 69th Anniversary of the founding of Alagappa University College of Education was celebrated on 23.04.2019 at the College Auditorium.

Registrar Prof. H. Gurumallesh Prabu, who chaired the ceremony, said that the college established by Vallal Alagappan in 1950 has so far produced more than 7000 teachers of good calibre. He added that Alagappa University stands supreme among higher education intuitions in India by achieving many distinctions and also by providing inclusive education. It gives importance to women's education; and women's enrolment in the University today is 73 percent in the total enrolment of students. Stating that education is a must for the development of a country, he said it is the duty of every teacher to play a crucial role in creating responsible citizens. The main task of teachers is to train and shape students who are physically and mentally strong, able to control their emotions and socially compatible.

Prof. N. K. Narayanan, Former Principal of Pachaiyappa's College, Chennai, in his special address, said that teachers should have good language proficiency. They should learn to speak the regional languages and English properly and come forward to speak English fluently. They should treat their wards as friends and provide them wise counsel when they encounter any problem. Students should be trained to read the text-books intensively and

at the same time the teachers should provide additional information about the lessons they teach. Teachers should allow students to raise questions. Teachers should appear and behave as "patience personified" and should impart values and ethical perspectives of life to the students. The special Guest Prof. Narayanan also gave away prizes to students who won places in various competitions conducted in connection with the celebrations.

Dr. B.Dharmalingam, Dean, Faculty of Education and Dr. M. Sundar, Principal, Alagappa University College of Physical Education, offered felicitations. Earlier Prof. A. Balu, Principal i/c of the Education College, welcomed the gathering. Dr. A. Pio Albina read the annual report and Dr. M. Shanmuga Reavthi proposed a vote of thanks.

## FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT

### Workshop on Research Methodology and Data Analysis



A Five-Day Workshop on "Research Methodology and Data Analysis" was organised by the Research Scholars Forum of the Faculty of Management, Alagappa University, Karaikudi. The inaugural function was held on 10.6.2019 at the Management Campus Conference Hall. The main objective of the workshop is to infuse confidence among the research scholars and help them learn about the current research trends and proper use of statistical analysis so as to hone their skills for doing effective research for the benefit of the society.

Presiding over the Workshop Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, appreciated the Research Scholars of the Faculty of Management for initiating the conduct of a comprehensive Five-Day Workshop under RUSA 2.0 scheme. He stated that this kind of useful workshop should not be confined to the University level but it should be beneficial to scholars of other State and Central Universities so that it can bring research dynamism and diverse research culture. He asked the research scholars to develop a distinct theory which can support the overall societal development. He advised the researchers to read Scopus-Indexed articles and indexed books. This can help each scholar to plan his own quality research writing. Also, he suggested that an in-depth knowledge of the specific field of research chosen by the scholar is a must for turning out a good thesis. He appealed to the participants to make optimum use of this workshop to gain new knowledge and perspective and also learn effective methods of writing by interacting with the experts.

Dr. T.R.Gurumoorthy, Syndicate Member, Alagappa University, in his inaugural address, emphasized the importance of conducting distinctive research by tracing back earlier conceived researches. He mentioned that research gaps can help researchers to build new theories which differentiate their research work from the existing ones. He said, "if you are scared of the outcome of your research work, you may never succeed. As a researcher one should be bold in framing hypothesis and justification of his research work. He said that the initiative taken by research scholars of the Faculty of Management is commendable and it needs to be emulated by scholars of other Faculties and Scholars in other Universities across the country. He urged all the research scholars to publish their research papers in

Scopus and Indexed journals before compiling their theses.

Delivering the special address, Prof.S.Kavitha, GRT College of Sciences, Coimbatore, stressed the need for and importance of using new technologies and statistical tools for presenting impact making research papers and this workshop, she added, would certainly enhance the research skills of the participants to effectively convey their research findings.

In his felicitation address Dr.S.Rajamohan, Director, Alagappa Institute of Management, recapitulated the fundamentals of research theories and methods. He advised researchers to get along with the changing research dynamics. He asked them to apply econometrics and mathematical models for data analysis during the compiling of their theses. He added that the traditional research culture needs alteration owing to revamped societal issues, challenges and opportunities. He also mentioned that each scholar needs to go beyond the limits to achieve his research objectives. Prof.G.Jayabal, Head, Department of Bank Management, Alagappa University, brought researchers' attention to the contemporary global research practices and scientific writing of their findings. He explained the idea of developing theory and importance of data analysis. He said that innovative research ideas can shape the societal lives and contribute to economic development.

Mr.Raghuveer Negi, Ph.D., Research Scholar, Department of International Business, welcomed the gathering. Mr.S.Prasanth, Ph.D., Research Scholar, Alagappa Institute of Management, proposed a vote of thanks. More than 100 researchers participated in the five-day workshop which ended on the evening of 14th June.

## ALAGAPPA INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT

### All 59 Students Get Selected

#### Successful Campus Placement Drive at Alagappa Institute of Management



The Campus Placement Drive for MBA students of Alagappa Institute of Management of Alagappa University, Karaikudi, was a remarkable success during the year 2019 as reputed firms such as IDBI Federal, HDFC Life, Leeways Pvt. Ltd., ICICI Bank, Erflog Pvt. Ltd., and Integrated Enterprises visited the campus and recruited all the 59 candidates who appeared for the interview.

All the 59 students of Final year MBA programme attended the campus recruitment drive and got selected. ICICI Bank recruited 24 students for Assistant Manager Position, Integrated Enterprises recruited 12 students as Management Trainees, HDFC Life selected 19 students for Executive posts, IDBI Federal recruited 18 students as officers, Erflog Pvt. Ltd., selected 3 students as HR Executives and Leeways Pvt. Ltd. recruited 12 students as Executive Officers. A few students received multiple offers.

All the 59 students received their appointment offers from Vice-Chancellor Prof. N. Rajendran. The Vice-Chancellor appreciated and congratulated the Institute and its faculty and students for achieving 100 percent placements with reputed industrial establishments.

The Director of Alagappa Institute of Management Dr. S. Rajamohan and Registrar

Dr. H. Gurumallesh Prabu were present on the occasion.

## DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATE SECRETARYSHIP

### Parents-Teachers Meet 2019



The Department of Corporate Secretaryship organized the Parents-Teachers Meet on 21.03.2019 in the Conference Hall of the Department. The parents who attended the meet in large numbers expressed their views on the progress of their wards in their academic endeavours. Prof.V.Balachandran, Dean, Faculty of Management, Professor and Head, Department of Corporate Secretaryship, appealed to the parents to evince interest in the studies of their wards and periodically take stock of their progress. Prof.C.Vethirajan, Professor, Department of Corporate Secretaryship listed out the steps initiated by the Department to develop the students' academic achievements through Communication skill classes, Periodical meetings, Updation of knowledge on current business affairs, Project work, Industrial training & visits. He also emphasised the need on the part of parents to participate in the development exercise. The parents expressed their thanks for the care and interest shown by the department in grooming the students and wished that the efforts be continued in future also. All the faculty members interacted with the parents about their wards performance and future progress. The parents expressed their happiness about the infrastructure facilities offered by the University to the students. Feedback forms from the parents were also collected during the meeting.

Dr.A.Morarji, Professor, welcomed the gathering and Ms.J.Yazhini of I MBA (CS) proposed a vote of thanks.75 parents attended the meeting.

### Industrial Visit-cum-Educational Tour

The II MBA (CS) students undertook an educational tour to Ooty and Mettupalayam in April 2019 and visited the places of historical and tourist importance. They also made a visit to the Tea factory in Ooty and observed their operations.



### Alumni Meet

The Department of Corporate Secretaryship organized the Alumni Meet on 07.04.2019. The former students of the department who occupy coveted positions in various organizations attended the meet with greater joy and love. The faculty members past and present also attended with much interest.

Prof .V.Balachandran, Dean, Faculty of Management, in his address, recalled the disciplined behaviour and utmost respect of the former students and appealed to them to contribute to the growth of the department both in terms of financial help and campus recruitment. He complimented the alumni for the loyalty they feel towards the Department. The distinguished alumni in their speeches said that they feel connected to the department long after graduation and assured of their continuous help to the current students and wished to meet every year to share their happiness and renew their relationship with the department. Earlier Prof.C.Vethirajan welcomed the gathering.



## SWAMI VIVEKANANDA CENTRE FOR HIGHER RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

### National Conference on Character Building: Sensitizing the Youth with Ideologies of Swami Vivekananda



A "National Conference on Character Building: Sensitizing the Youth with Ideologies of Swami Vivekananda" was conducted under the aegis of Swami Vivekananda Centre for Higher Research and Education, Alagappa University, Karaikudi on 02.04.2019 at the Seminar Hall of the Convocation Auditorium.

Dr. K.R. Murugan, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Coordinator Swami Vivekananda Centre for Higher Research and Education, while welcoming the gathering, said that the objective of the conference is to sensitize the youth with the inspiring ideas and thoughts of Swami Vivekananda on character-building i.e developing certain useful traits in a person's character such as self-reliance, endurance, courage and confidence.

Presiding over the conference, Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, stated that the impact of Vivekananda's ideologies on the youth during the period of Cultural Renaissance in India added greater impetus to the Movement. He added that Vivekananda was rightly considered the "pride of India" as he propounded the ideal of universal brotherhood and highlighted the relevance and greatness of all religions in the world for the progress of mankind in his Chicago

Speech. He also averred that the anchor-sheet of all development is intrinsically connected with the social harmony and social cohesion. Vivekananda's man-making and value-based education laid great stress on character-building. The speaker exhorted the students to read the inspiring books of Vivekananda for imbibing the ethical values.

A compendium containing 74 articles on Vivekananda's philosophy was released at the function by the Vice-Chancellor and the first copy was received by Swami Harivratananda.

Dr.T.R.Gurumoorthy, Syndicate Member, speaking on the topic "Value Education" said how Swami Vivekananda has emphasized the importance of concentration and said it is the key to knowledge. According to Vivekananda, essence of all learning lies in the concentration of the mind on one single ideal. One has to live adhering to that important one single ideal for a successful life. Education is the manifestation of perfection. Perfection leads to the realization of power inherent in a human being: Education and Wisdom are the two sides of the same coin. Each soul is potentially divine. The ultimate aim of education should be to kindle the spark of divinity inherent in man. It is not the dress that one wears makes a youth beautiful but it is the moral rectitude that makes him really beautiful. He concluded his speech by saying that young men and women should always be conscious of this fact.

Swami Harivratananda, Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya, Coimbatore, delivered the keynote address. He highlighted the great relevance of celebrating Swami Vivekananda's birthday as the National Youth Day. He referred to Swami Vivekananda's clarion call to the youth of India during India's freedom struggle to imbibe the spirit of patriotism. He added that in Colonial India women and the work force were not given due respect and it was almost a sin and later there was a change in the attitude of the people

owing to the propagation of Vivekananda's ideologies. He said that a great intellectual like Tagore advised a foreigner; when he expressed his desire to learn about India, to study the writings of Swami Vivekananda for a proper understanding of India and its culture. There is nothing negative in Vivekananda's life and views. He recalled the words of Vivekananda who said "you are the creator of your own destiny". With great confidence the youth should follow the ideals of Vivekananda for creating an ethically and morally superior India.

Dr. M. Vasimalairaja, Deputy Coordinator, Swami Vivekananda Centre for Higher Education and Research, proposed a vote of thanks.

### Services of Swami Vivekananda Remembered



On the night of July 4th 1902, while meditating, Swami Vivekananda passed away peacefully at Belur Mutt. He was just 39 then. The whole world mourned the death of this sage credited with creating an inter-faith awareness among the peoples of the world. The 117th death anniversary was observed at the Swami Vivekananda Centre for Higher Research and Education on 4.7.2019. A meeting was organised in which Syndicate Member of Alagappa University Prof.T.R. Gurumoorthy presided and lit the lamp. Prof.K.R.Murugan, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Co-ordinator of Swami Vivekananda Centre for Higher Research and Education, highlighted the noble ideals, and thoughts propagated by Swami Vivekananda and referred to the activities of the Centre. Prof.

T.R. Gurumoorthy in his brief speech made a mention of Swamiji's contribution to the concept of nationalism in Colonial India. Philosophic and at the same time pragmatic, Swami Vivekananda proclaimed that "service to humanity is service to God". The distinguished speaker exhorted the youth to remember and cherish the words of Vivekananda for deriving confidence and faith to lead a useful and successful life. The Deputy Co-ordinator of the Centre Dr. M. Vasimalairaja proposed a vote of thanks.

## NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

### World Environment Day Observed

Under the aegis of the National Service Scheme (N.S.S.) of Alagappa University, the World Environment Day was celebrated at Alagappa University on 4.6.2019. The event began with an environmental awareness rally taken out by 200 students, and it was flagged off by Vice-Chancellor Prof. N. Rajendran. Before the start of the awareness rally, students and Faculty members took an oath for developing sustainable environment.



Highlighting the significance of observing the World Eco Day, Prof. N. Rajendran said it is the People's Day to do something concrete to take care of the earth in which we inhabit. He added that "air pollution" is the theme of this year's celebration and China is the host country. As far as India is concerned air pollution is a big problem in cities and it creates adverse effect on the eco system affecting human health. Air is polluted in various ways and today man craves for pure air for a healthy living; and planting

of trees is the simple, effective and pragmatic way to combat air pollution. The planting of a tree by an individual is, indeed, a great service to the nation. It is to be remembered that our ancestors protected trees for keeping the environment cool, clean and green, he added.

At the end of the rally the Vice-Chancellor with students and staff planted tree saplings near the percolation pond inside the University Campus. The Department of Botany has made arrangements for planting tree saplings.

Students from the College of Education and Department of Botany and the Model Higher Secondary School enthusiastically participated in the rally. The event was organised by the Coordinator of N.S.S. Programme Dr.P.Srinivasan and the Green Campus Coordinator Dr.A.Arumugam.

#### **International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking Observed**



The International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking was observed on 26.06.2019 at Alagappa University, Karaikudi. The programme began with a rally taken out by the faculty and students to create awareness among the public about the hazards of drug abuse and illicit trafficking and the rally was flagged off by the Vice-Chancellor. This year the theme of this day is "Health for justice, justice for health".

While speaking at the function, Prof. N.Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University narrated how it greatly affected the physical and mental health of the youth who are

addicted to drug abuse. Population explosion, he added, is one of the fundamental reasons for many people taking to this evil habit. During this year, according to All India Institute Medical Sciences Report, that 3.1 crore people in India were addicted to alcohol and other cannabis products. Modern youth irrespective of gender take to this evil habit to overcome depression, to imitate ultra modern fashions and also owing to growing modern week-end relaxation habits. As a first step we have to guard ourselves from this habit; and especially students as ambassadors should highlight the dangerous consequences arising out of drug abuse to general public. He further stated that physical health is a permanent wealth and one should be aware of this fact consciously all the time. Only a person with sound health alone can think positively and effectively that leads to mental agility. He exhorted the students to develop all good habits so as to get good physical and mental strength.

Dr.Yamini, Psychiatrist, Govt. Hospital, Sivagangai, who delivered the special address on the occasion, said that illicit trafficking of drugs is a major challenge encountered by the countries all over the world and it is a big problem in developing countries. Severity of this issue has been increasing year by year as per the statistics available. She also explained how this drug abuse and addiction to alcohol affected the precious life of the youth and led to their earlier death. She gave some clues to abstain from this evil habit and to develop self control stage by stage. In the interactive session she gave answers to the questions raised by the students and the faculty.

Earlier Prof. H.Gurumallesh Prabu, Registrar, welcomed the gathering and Prof. V.Palanisamy, Dean, Student Affairs, proposed a vote of thanks at the end of the programme.

## Workshop on "ICT Enablement for Educational Leaders to Improve Institution Management and Be Compliance Ready"



Alagappa University College Development Council (CDC) and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in association with MasterSoft ERP Solutions Pvt Ltd, Nagpur, conducted a Workshop on "ICT Enablement for Educational Leaders to Improve Institution Management and Be Compliance Ready" on 21.06.19 at the Convocation Seminar Hall of Alagappa University.

The aim of the workshop was to increase the awareness among the staff of affiliated colleges of Alagappa University regarding the use of information and communication technology on campus and deploying it to be compliance ready for NAAC / NBA / AICTE assessment.

Inaugurating the Workshop Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, said that the ICT helps all educational institutions to grow with the help of technology and aids academic leaders in transforming and enhancing the way education is being imparted. He added that this Workshop would be highly beneficial to the participants as it would highlight the benefits of Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) and also the benefits of Cloud Computing Technology. He further said that it has become imperative for higher educational institutions to use ICT for generation of data and processing; and compiling of data becomes perfect and easier while preparing reports for assessment and accreditation by various agencies such as

NAAC, NBA, NIRF, AICTE etc.

Mr.Gaurav Somani, President of MasterSoft, highlighted the software solutions available with MasterSoft and how it has helped 2000 plus institutions to use them effectively. He said that different reports on management and academic activities and also reports about parents and students could be prepared easily by using the software and added how institutions could initiate e-governance in their respective institutions. Mr. Sham Somani, Managing Director, MasterSoft, addressed the gathering and shared his experiences as an academician and also as an experienced person in providing ERP services to more than 2000 educational institutions across the country.

Dr.S.Karuthapandian, Director IQAC of Alagappa University and Dr.A.Senthil Rajan, Director, Department of Computational Logistics, spoke on the occasion.

100 participants from the affiliated colleges and constituent institutions attended the workshop to gain insight into ICT enablement for bettering institutional governance.

Earlier, Registrar of the University Prof. Gurumallesh Prabu welcomed the dignitaries and participants. Dr. E. Kannapiran, Dean, CDC and the Coordinator of the workshop, proposed a vote of thanks. Thiru. R.Krishna Kumar, Vice-President, Sales & Marketing, MasterSoft made all arrangements for the programme.

## CENTRAL LIBRARY

### WORLD BOOK DAY CELEBRATED

Under the aegis of the Central Library, Alagappa University, the World Book Day was celebrated on 22.05.2019 at Dr.Umayal Ramanathan Seminar Hall. Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, who spearheaded the event, said that books have changed the lives of many. We can enrich our lives by reading good books. He asked the students not to confine themselves

to the reading of prescribed text books alone but "get in to the habit of reading other related books and it would broaden your perspective". Before commenting on a book one should read it thoroughly. By reading a book thoroughly and intensively, one will be able to grasp the basic concepts enunciated in the book. Books that fascinate the readers will be considered good books or great books. He said the students should get into the habit of reading such books every day.



Prof. P. Mathivanan, Former Professor of Tamil, Bharathidasan University, Trichy, in his special address, dwelt on the significance of reading books and also referred to book publishing and Copy Right Acts. In today's technological world, film television and the telephone can serve as communication tools but they cannot offer the experience of book-reading. The book-reading experience is something that goes directly to our heart. Writing shows the culture of a community and great Tamil writings stand as the hallmarks revealing the greatness of Tamil Culture. Reading becomes essential for understanding the greatness of our culture.

Prof.T.R.Gurumoorthy, Member of Syndicate, while offering his felicitations, said that students should cultivate the habit of reading so as to develop their thinking power. Students can develop their varied skills by reading books on varied subjects. The experience derived from book reading is something that is related to intellect as well as emotions. When one reads the books avidly with great involvement he will gain deeper knowledge and wisdom.

Librarians, Officers of Central Library, Faculty from the Department of Library and Information Sciences, Research Scholars, Prof. S.Rajaram, Director i/c, Directorate of Distance Education , Prof. M. Pandi, Head, Department of Tamil, Dr. A. Senthilrajan, Director, Computer Centre, participated in the function. Earlier, Dr. A. Thirunavukkarasu, Chief Librarian, Central Library, welcomed the gathering. Dr. C. Baskaran, Librarian, proposed a vote of thanks at the end of the programme.

#### Winners in Alagappa University Bok Club Competition

Under the aegis of Alagappa University Book Club (ABC) functioning at the Central Library, a series of competitions were conducted and the winners were given prizes. Competitions held, included Essay Writing, Elocution, Group Discussion and Poetry Writing; and the winners who were placed in the first, second and third places met the Vice-Chancellor and sought his blessings. The Vice-Chancellor congratulated all the winners on their success and exhorted them to further develop the special skills they possessed. Dr. A. Thirunavukkarasu, Chief Librarian, Alagappa University and Dr. C. Baskaran, Librarian were present on the occasion.

#### Department of Theatre and Film Studies Inaugurated

அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தில் 2019-20ஆம் கல்வியாண்டு முதல் செயல்படும் வகையில் புதிதாகத் துவங்கப்பட்டுள்ள அரங்கம் மற்றும் திரைப்படவியல் படிப்புகள் துறையின் (Department of Theatre and Film Studies) அரங்கம் மற்றும் திரைப்படவியல் படிப்புகள் முதுகலை (எம்.ஏ.) படிப்பிற்கான பாடத்திட்டக் குழுக் கூட்டம் 25.06.2019 செவ்வாய் கிழமையன்று பல்கலைக்கழக கூட்ட அரங்கில் நடைபெற்றது.

இதில் புறநிலை வல்லுநர்களாக முனைவர் ஆர்.காளீஸ்வரன், ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர், கலை மற்றும் இலக்கியம், லயோலா கல்லூரி, சென்னை, முனைவர் கி.பார்த்திபராஜா, உதவிப் பேராசிரியர்,

தமிழ்த்துறை, தூய இருதயக் கல்லூரி, திருப்பத்தூர், முனைவர் எம்.சுப்பையா, உதவிப் பேராசிரியர், நிகழ்த்துக்கலைத் துறை, புதுவைப் பல்கலைக்கழகம், திரு.கே.ஏகாதசி, திரைப்பட இயக்குநர், முனைவர் சி.கார்த்திகேயன், உதவிப் பேராசிரியர், திரைப்படம் மற்றும் அரங்கவியல் துறை, தமிழ்நாடு திறந்தநிலைப் பல்கலைக்கழகம், சென்னை ஆகியோர் கலந்து கொண்டனர். முனைவர் இ.கண்ணபிரான், இயக்குநர், பாடத்திட்ட வடிவமைப்பு மற்றும் வளர்ச்சிக் குழுவும், அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகம், முனைவர் எம்.ஜோதிபாக ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர், கலை மன்றம், அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகம் ஆகியோரும் கலந்து கொண்டனர். முனைவர் க.இராசாராம், பேராசிரியர் மற்றும் தலைவர் (பொ), அரங்கம் மற்றும் திரைப்படவியல் துறை பாடத்திட்டக் குழுக் கூட்டத்திற்குத் தலைமை வகித்தார்.

இக்குழுக் கூட்டத்தில் அரங்கம் மற்றும் திரைப்படவியல் முதுகலைப்பட்ட படிப்பிற்கான பாடத்திட்டம் குறித்து விரிவாக விவாதிக்கப்பட்டது. பாடத்திட்டம் முடிவு செய்யப்பட்டது.

## DIRECTORATE OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

### Table Tennis Competitions Conducted



With financial assistance of the Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu, Chennai, Alagappa University's Directorate of Physical Education conducted Table Tennis competitions for men and women on 30.05.2019 and 31.05.2019 at Alagappa University Physical Education College. Eight teams from Tamil Nadu Universities participated in the two-day competitions.

In the Men's Section SRM University, Chennai, won the 1st place. Madras University,

Chennai, secured the 2nd place and Anna University, Chennai won the 3rd place. In Women's Section Madras University secured the 1st place and SRM University, Chennai and Alagappa University, Karaikudi won the 2nd and 3rd places respectively.

Prof. N.Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor Alagappa University, presented the trophies and cash awards to the winners at a function organized on 31.05.2019. The team which secured the 1st place was given a cash award of Rs.50,000/- and the team which won the 2nd place was given an amount of Rs.37500/- and the team which won the 3rd place was given a cash prize of Rs.25000/-

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. N.Rajendran said that the Founder of this great institution Alagappan gave importance to Education and Sports, considering them as two eyes. He further added that sports acts as a bridge, uniting the people across the world. It helps in group co-operation and leads to national integration.

The Sivagangai District, Sports and Youth Welfare Officer Geetha Radhakrishnan offered felicitations. Dr. R.Senthilkumar, Director of Physical Education, Alagappa University, made the arrangements for the competitions. Dr.S.Saroja and Dr.T.P.Yogesh coordinated the programme. Earlier Dr.C.Vairava Sundaram welcomed the gathering and compered the programme. Dr.S.Saroja, Asst. Prof., College of Physical Education, proposed a vote of thanks.



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DIRECTORATE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION



As mentioned in the UGC – DEB Communication No.F.No.74-2/2018 (DEB-I) dated 18.10.2018, Directorate of Distance Education, Alagappa University is entitled to offer all programmes through open and distance learning mode as the university has obtained the Status of Category –I, as per UGC (Categorization of Universities) (Only) for grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018.

## DEB-Approved Category-I

### Admission Notification – 2019 Programmes Offered

#### UG PROGRAMMES

1. B.Lit. (Tamil)
2. B.A. (English)
3. B.A. (History) \*
4. B.A. (Economics) \*
5. B.A. (Public Administration)

11. B.Com\*
12. B.B.A\*
13. B.B.A. (Banking)
14. B.Com. (Computer Applications)
15. Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.Lib.I.Sc.) 1 year

#### PG PROGRAMMES

6. B.Sc. (Mathematics)
7. B.Sc. (Information Technology)
8. B.Sc. (Computer Science)
9. Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA)
10. B.Sc. (Psychology)

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- B.Ed – Two years for working teachers with D.T.Ed qualification are eligible.

16. M.A. (Tamil)
17. M.A. (English)
18. M.A. (History) \*
29. M.A. (Sociology)
20. M.A. (Personnel Management and Industrial Relations)
21. M.A. (Child Care and Education)
22. M.S.W.
23. M.A. (Economics) \*
24. M.A. (Journalism and Mass Communication)
25. M.A. (Education)
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28. M.Sc. (Information Technology)
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31. M.Sc. (Physics)
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34. M.Sc. (Psychology)
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44. M.B.A. (Hospital Management)
45. M.B.A. (Human Resource Management) \*
46. M.B.A. (Tourism)
47. M.B.A. (Education Management)
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50. M.B.A. (Technology Management)
51. M.B.A. (Logistics Management)
52. M.B.A. (Corporate Management)
53. M.B.A. (Financial Management)
54. M.B.A. (Marketing Management) \*
55. M.B.A. (System Management)
56. M.B.A. (Production and Operations Management)
57. M.B.A. (Co-operative Management)
58. Master of Library and Information Science (M.Lib.I.Sc.) (1 year)

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59. P.G. Diploma in Computer Application (PGDCA)
60. P.G. Diploma in Personnel Management and Industrial Relations
61. P.G. Diploma in Hospital Administration
62. P.G. Diploma in Human Resource Management
63. P.G. Diploma in Business Management
64. P.G. Diploma in Sports Management
65. P.G. Diploma in Yoga
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