





# BMCian Chronicle

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# With Extended Hands ....

Bharata Mata College proved to be a knight in the shining armour to the Ockhi affected areas of Kochi. Bharata Mata Extension for Organic, Reasearch and Environment (BeFORE) extended its helping hands to Chellanam, an area which was terribly caught within the devastating tentacles of the cyclone. A variety of measures were initiated in order to curb the aftermath of the natural disaster.

#### 1. Construction of Sea Wall with Sand

The students and the staff of Bharata Mata College actively came to the forefront to construct sea wall with sand filled sacks. The two day activity supported by the NSS, NCC and AICUF units of the college covered 500 metres of land.

# 2. Kit distribution to the affected people in collaboration with Malayala Manorama

The MBA students of Bharata Mata College, in collaboration with Malayala Manorama initiated kit distribution to the affected people.

#### 3. Medical Camp

The field study conducted by BeFORE in the affected areas revealed the menacing health issues and fear of disaster greatly disturbing the victims. In order to draw the people out of this crisis BeFORE in collaboration with Lissy Hospital held a medical camp which benefited 183 people. The counseling facility provided by Ms. Anita Annie Mathew and Ms. Honey Mary John, faculty of Bharata Mata School of Social Work was utilized by both adults and children. The camp was greatly successful when BeFORE, Department of MSW and the students and staff from other departments joined hands to serve their needy fellow-beings of the society.



# From the JQAC Co-ordinator's Desk



Education is meaningful only when the best in every individual is drawn out. Along with academics, BMC encourages arts and sports, the key factors in the journey towards success. During the year 2017-18, the college formed an iridescent platform which displayed the artistic excellence and sportsman spirit of the students. The season of Christmas wrapped the college in a festive hue. The college also reached out energetically to society when the coastal areas of Kochi were affected by Ockhi. The months of December - January thus illuminate the co-curricular activities of the college which are carried out to assure an overall development of each student.

### **Placements in Plenty**

A preplacement presentation by Axis Bank Limited was conducted on 05-12-2017 at 3.30 pm at the MBA seminar hall for the post of Business Development Executive. Rahul Raman Nair, Kerala Circle HR Head, Axis Bank Ltd interacted with the students. About 116 students participated.



The written test of The Only Group was conducted on 18-12-2017 at 10 am in the MBA seminar hall. 166 students appeared



Interview conducted by Axis Bank on 19-12-2017



A workshop on CV preparation was held on 29th January 2018 by Shri. Sunil Sebastian



A preplacement talk by Ms. Bhakti Shirke, HR Manager, Apollo Munich Health Insurance Cowas held at 10.30 am at M.B.A seminar hall on 25-01-2018.



### The Spirit of Sports

Bharata Mata College conducted inter-collegiate sports competitions in the name of Phedippides, the man behind Marathon. The event which was a montage of basketball, cricket, football and badminton matches, was one of ips kind at inter-collegiate level. In the competitions that lasted for a month, around 15 colleges participated in each event. The event was inaugurated by the manager of the college, Rev. Fr. Jacob G. Palackappilly by releasing a pigeon. The principal Dr. Aype Thomas, councillors and other dignitaries were present on the occasion. The programme was sponsored by the New India Builders and the PTA, Bharata Mata College. St. Albert's College, Ernakulam bagged the Phedippides trophy. The college won second place in football and first place in badminton. The first place in football and cricket were won by UC College, Aluva and St. Paul's College, Kalamassery respectively. The South India Womens' Basket ball Tournament in the name of Dr. Seena Augustine (Former faculty department of Commerce, Bharata Mata College) was bagged by St.Xavier's College, Aluva. The valedictory function was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Abhi Jose Puthanveettil. The prizes were distributed to the winners on the occasion



# NCC

- As a part of AIDS day, a rally was conducted by the company, from and to, the college via NGO Quarters to provide awareness for the people on the same. A talk was given by Dr. Kochu Rani and Ms Mayadevi, HSST, Govt HSS Edappally. ANO Lt Nithin Thomas and Hav Ranjith Singh were present.
- The cadets of the company extended their helping hands for the relief of the Ochki Cyclone affected Chellanam area and helped in various rehabilitation works.
- The new NCC office was inaugurated and blessed by Rev.Fr Jacob G Palackapilly. Dr Shiny Palatty, Vice Principal was also present.
- Our unit held a visit to Baselius Boy's home where the cadets conducted various games and cultural programmes. A Christmas gift was presented on behalf of the company.
- On 26th January 69th Republic day was celebrated with great pride. Rev Fr Jacob G Palakkapilly, Manager, hoisted the National Flag. Asst. Manager Fr. Binto Kilukan and Principal Dr. Aype Thomas and Lt Nithin Thomas, ANO and Hav

- Karamjith Singh were also present. Parade was followed by various cultural programmes.
- Indian Coast Guard visited our college and made a presentation about the various prospects and modes of joining the Coast guard. Commander Muralidharan was the chief guest.

#### Cadet's Achievements



#### Republic Day Camp - Delhi

 The greatest achievement of this academic year was the that Cdt. Ananthu Prasad (II Bsc Physics) participated in Republic Day camp and Republic day Prime Ministers Rally 2018 held at New Delhi, representing Kerala and Lakshadweep Directorate



# Chrysalis

The annual intercollegiate literary and cultural fiesta "Fwd Chrysalis" conducted by the Post-graduate Department of English, was held on 18th and 19th January, 2018. The programme was inaugurated by the manager of the college, Rev. Fr. Jacob G Palackappilly. Fwd Chrysalis was a colourful platform for twenty events (including online events) in which students from various colleges within and outside Kerala took part. It provided a good opportunity for the students to bloom out of their cocoon and fly with their gifted wings of talent. Prizes worth Rs. 2,00,000 were distributed among the winners of the competitions. In addition to being an intercollegiate competition, the fest proved to be an arena for the students from various parts of Kerala to get together. The competitive spirit of the students dissolved amidst their friendly interactions which turned the event to a fest of friendship and love. As the curtains fell for the two-day event, St. Teresa's College, Ernakulam won the ever rolling trophy and Sacred Heart College, Thevara won the runner up. The versatile football player Sri C.K. Vineeth who was the chief guest of the valedictory function, distributed prizes to the winners



# **CAMPUS MINISTRY**

- A team of students from our college; Isabel Mary Jose, Maria George, David Palatty, Juliet Jose; accompanied by Dr.Sr.Tessy Thomas, took part in a presentation at the national youth conference from December 7th to 10th, 2018, organised by Xavier Board of Higher Education and Marian College, Kuttikkanam.
- As a part of Christmas celebration, carol singing, presentation competition and crib making competitions were conducted on 22 December 2017. The Department of Chemistry won the first prize in crib making competition and the Department of B.Com Travel and Tourism won the first prize in carol singing and presentation competition.
- The annual charity auction and food fest was organised on 10 January 2018, with the whole hearted cooperation of the Bharata Mata Family.





# **Christmas**

Bharata Mata College celebrated Christmas with its devotional and cultural charm to commemorate the birth of Jesus Christ. Crib making and carol singing competitions were conducted for the students under the initiative of Campus Ministry. The celebrations resonated the message of love and compassion for the fellow-beings. Various departments visited old-age homes and orphanages in the city to celebrate Christmas. The inmates were pacified from their alienation in society and were assured a strong support from college for their problems.





# Arts Festival

The annual Arts Festival of the college, 'Chamayam 2017' was held on 21 & 22 December. The students enthusiastically participated in the interdepartmental competitions. Among the variety of literary and cultural competitions conducted, the department of English won the ever rolling trophy. The festival was an absolute platform where the diverse artistry of the students was showcased.







# Back to the Mother

The Annual General body meeting of Bharata Mata Old Students' Association (BOSA) was held on 26th January 2018. The interaction of alumni of different age group and from different walks of life turned the event immensely nostalgic and joyful. BOSA honoured and felicitated all the retiring teachers of the year including the principal on the occasion.







## BeFORE and MSW

#### 'enTribment-Kuttampuzha'

A seven-day residential camp in Thalavechapara settlement was organized by Bharata Mata Extension for Organic Research (BeFORE) and the department of MSW from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017. The programme was initiated by the First Year MSW students, followed the theme 'Nibhoditha,' which means a journey to enlightenment. The major motive of the camp was to make a thorough study of the various problems in the hamlet and to identify possible strategies to tackle them. The Renovation of MGLC Schools in Thalavechapara hamlet was another thrust area. The students also actively involved in shramadhan (Renovation work of Badal School), conducted seminars for the tribal families based on the study conducted among them and also organized cultural events for them.



Besides the first year students, the Manager of the college Fr. Jacob G. Palackappilly, the Principal Dr. Aype Thomas, the Head of the Department of Social Work Dr. Sheena Rajan Philip, other faculty of the department and a few second year MSW students also participated in the camp.



#### **Anti - Drug Campaign**

A one day "Lahari Virudha Bodhavalkarana Campaign" was organized by BeFORE in association with Forest Department, Kothamangalam. The campaign was held on 10 December 2017 at Edamalayar to spread awareness about social issues affecting the tribal hamlets of Vengoor Panchayath. The students organized street play for the inhabitants of the hamlets in Edamalayar forest range.





INTERNATIONAL YOGA Class: 10th of January 2018

The Bharata Mata School of social work arranged a special international yoga class for the MSW Students on 10TH of January 2018. The students experienced YOGA lessons in the college premises under the guidance of International Yoga practitioner Ms. Katherine from Germany. She taught the students various Yoga Asanas which are beneficial for a healthy mind and fit body.



### Department of English



The Department paid homage to the Retired HOD Prof.Jacob Joy Mannully who left for heavenly abode.



The students and teachers of the Department of English visited Karunalayam, an old age home and presented them a refrigerator to keep medicines

- 1. A mini sale was conducted by the students and teachers of the department in connection with Christmas celebration. The students provided food, drinks, stationery and other items at reduced rates.
- 2. A class on Financial Literacy was held for the students on January 15, 2018 by Capt. Premnath, Retd.Asst. General Manager, SBT, making the students aware and literate about the recent financial changes and developments.
- 3. The Department of English won the second prize for crib making competition conducted by the AICUF unit of Bharata Mata College in connection with Xmas celebration.

### Department of Mathematics

On 7th of December, the Mathematics Family felicitated the A & A+ holders of UG/PG 2017 Examination



### Department of Botany

High yielding hybrid varieties of vegetable seedlings generated by the department were distributed to the college community on 20th December 2017



Applications are invited from eligible candidates for the post of Assistant/Associate Professors to the department of Commerce (Self-financing), Bharata Mata College, Thrikkakkara. For more details please visit www.bharatamatacollege.in.

### Department of Zoology

Smt. Maniusha K, Field Officer, MPEDA, Regional Division, Kochi conducted a training session on 'Aquaponics and Fish Farming' for the final year B.Sc Zoology students on 14th December.



For a firsthand experience on Fish Farming, the students were taken for an Aquaponics farm visit to Cherai 15th December 2017.



As a part of the outreach programme, I B.Sc Zoology students accompanied by two teachers visited Theruvoram, a Government Funded rehabilitation centre on 18th December 2017 and celebrated Christmas with the inmates of the centre



All Kerala Inter Collegiate Debate Competition on Greening Kerala: Dream or Reality for Rev. Fr. Jacob Kariyatty Memorial Ever Rolling Trophy was con-

ducted by the Department of Zoology, on Saturday 6th January 2018. Alka Maria Simon & Ann Mary Cyriac of Alphonsa College Pala won the Ever rolling trophy and a cash prize of Rs 3000. St. Teresa's College Ernakulam and SreeSankara College, Kalady bagged second and third prizes respectively. Joseph E. George of U.C.College Aluva was adjudged the best speaker.



As part of extension activity of Department of Zoology, Friends Of Fauna (FOF) nature club, the final year Zoology students conducted an awareness classes to public in different places on the theme "Connecting People to Nature" during their study tour to Wayanad-Coorg-Mysore.



Department of Physical Education



Manobin National Team Selection Dept. of Physics



**Ananthu Anil** Kerala Cricket Team Member Dept. of Malayalam



Unnikrishnan R Kerala State Cricket Camp B.Com & CA



Neelima George Bsc. Maths



Vismaya B.Com Regular



Govind Vijayan University Chess Team Member University Chess Team Member University Badminton Team Member B.A English



Geo Joseph
University Silver Medal in
Weight Lifting
B A Economics



Presanath P Kumar

Junior State Participation

RRA



**Rahul Raj**Represent Ernakulam District In Football
B.sc. Zology



Shahul
District Athletics
Individual Champion
B.A Malayalm

### Bravos..... the blooming flowers

- Amruta Murali, I year MSW won second place in 'Oru Nimisham' (elocution competition) conducted by Sree Sankara Vidyapeetom College in Valayanchirangara, Perumbavoor on 16TH OF January 2018, as a part of AKRAYA 2K18 SOUTH ZONE COMMERCE FEST
- The MSW Second year students attended the Albertian International Knowledge Summit 2018 – International Conference on "Multidisciplinary Research" held from 8-17 January 2018 at St. Albert's College.
- Sreekuttan of II BA English won the first prize in photography competition in Genesis, the inter-collegiate fest held by SH College, Thevara.
- Jissa Joseph of II BA English won the second prize in face painting competition at Genesis, the inter-collegiate fest held by SH College, Thevara.
- Sreelakshmi of I MA English won the third prize for Poster Designing Competitionat Genesis, the inter-collegiate fest held by SH College, Theyara.
- Jissa Joseph of II BA English won first prize in Bookmark making competition held at the fest conducted by BCM College, Kottayam.
- Sushasree and Anjali of III DC English won the third prize for Treasure Hunt at the fest conducted by SH College, Thevara.
- Members of the Dance Club of Bharata Mata College won the first place in the Dance Competition conducted by St. Paul's College, Kalamassery on 23 February, 2018, as a part of their fest MESHUGGEH
- 8 students of the P.G. Department of Commerce and Research Centre cleared CBSE-NET, Novem-

ber, 2017.

- M.Com students, Gigi Joseph and Linda Maria Antony, presented a paper "GST -Accelerating or deteriorating the new initiatives of middle class entrepreneurs" at a symposium at Pontifical Seminary at Mangalapuzhaon December 8th
- A team consisting of Maria J Kadavan, Antony Kachappilly, Nidhi Shaji, Aathira U and AshnaTomichan represented the college at the intercollegiate presentation competition on "Fine-tuning Education for Tomorrow" on 16th January, at Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kalamassery. Maria J Kadavan secured the best presenter award.
- Harisankar P. S (IV semester) and Malavika Ajayakumar (VI semester) won the first prize in Botany Quiz conducted by the Department of Botany of Sacred Heart College, Thevara on 12-12-2017
- Harisankar P.S of fourth semester won the second prize (team member) in the quiz competition conducted by Alumni Association of St. Thomas College, Pala on 13-12-2017
- Harisankar P.S and Amal Manoj (IV semester) won the third prize (team member) in BIOMYRI-AD Quiz conducted by the Zoology department of Sacred Heart College, Thevara on 5-1-2018
- Harisankar P.S and Amal Manoj (IV semester) won the third prize in KSEB Power Quiz Contest on 17-1-2018
- Varun Krishna N of final year B.Com Computer Application Batch -II has secured First prize in Best Manager (Inter collegiate competition) conducted in K.M.M College on 18th January.

#### Bharata Mata College, Thrikkakara

- Geo Joseph of I BA Economics won the silver medal in the M G University Weightlifting and Power lifting competitions.
- Athira P Kumar and Tresa Divya T J presented the paper 'Knowing the Other: The History of Sexual Minorities and Colonial Interventions' in the Kerala History Congress, held at Farook College Calicut.
- Athira P Kumar and Tresa Divya T J published the paper "Knowledge as a Tool": Colonial Legacy of Education in India in the proceedings of South Indian History Congress held at the University of Calicut.
- Rahul Raj P.R of II DC Zoology got selection in Ernakulam District Football Team and they emerged as winners in Under-21 State Football

- Championship held at Ambedkar Stadium Kochi in December 2017.
- Rahul Raj (Il Zoology), a member of College Football team participated in Football match for Fr. Jacob Kariyatty Memorial Intercollegiate Trophy held in Bharata Mata College Thrikkakara held in January 2018.
- Ann Maria Joge, Chantal Meril Michael and Grace Judcy of IDC Zoology participated in Collaborative Undergraduate Biology Education Workshop (CUBE) on 04.01.2018 at The Cochin College, Kochi.
- Aparna Lalu of III DC and Anju Supran of II DC, Arya Subhash, Abhirami Ajayakumar of I DC participated in the Republic Day Parade on 26th January 2018)

### Inspiring Pillars

- Dr Kochurani Thomas received an award for the Best Professor in Economics by Dewang Mehta National Education awards.
- Lt Nithin Thomas is selected as a member of the Mahatma Gandhi UG Board of Studies of Economics.
- Lt Nithin Thomas and Dr Abraham M.P, published the article on 'The Fertiliser Subsidy In India- An Analysis', in the Proceedings of the National Conference on Structural Shift in Indian Economy: An Assessment, organized by Department of Economics, Govt College Ambalapuzha.
- Dr. Gayathri P.J published the article "Unveiling the Politics of Alternative Sexuality: Explorations in Mahesh Dattani's On a Muggy in Mumbai and Do the Needful" in the Bharata Mata Journal of Multidisciplinary Studies
- Dr.Sr.Tessy Thomas was the chief guest and speaker of the alumni meet "Randezvous," at Mar Thoma College for Women, Perumbavoor.
- Prof. Nimmy A. George participated in the International Chess championships from Dec 26th to Jan 19th in Lorca and Almeria (Spain) and

- Prague (Czech Republic). She has won over a grandmaster, fide masters from different countries and her fide rating increased.
- Dr. Sheena Rajan Philip and Ms. Honey Mary John presented a paper at DYUTI National conference organised by the Rajagiri College of Social Sciences on 4rth and 5th of January 2018. The theme for the conference was "Reimaging social work education in the outcome based perspectives and practices".
- Dr. Sheena Rajan Philip presented the paper 'The Need for an Impactful Revision in the Social Work Educational System'.
- Ms. Honey Mary John presented the paper "Assessing the competencies in social work education: an educator's perspective".
- Ms Anita Annie Mathew presented the paper "Issues and Stigma Faced by Transgenders in the Society" during the Albertian International knowledge Summit 2018 International Conference on Multidisciplinary Research 8 to 17 of January 2018.
- Dr. John T Abraham's book "Logos Quiz 2018" published by Merit Books which is released on Jan 28

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