

**SACRED HEART COLLEGE, THEVARA**  
**PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL REPORT 2008-2009**

Rev. Fr. Poulose Kidangen, our Manager and President of the meeting, distinguished Chief Guest, Prof. Sunny Thomas, Indian Olympic Shooting Team Coach and Dronacharya Awardee, Prof. Jose Abraham,, Prof. V.S. Sebastian, Staff Secretary, Sri. P.D. Antony, PTA Vice President, Sri. Sebin K.P., Chairman of the College Union, guests, members of the faculty, members of the administrative staff and my beloved students.

Before I begin the presentation of this year's annual report, let me proclaim my heartfelt gratitude to the Almighty for all His blessings round the year. I can confidently claim that the entire college community did their very best to do justice to the excellent track record set by our predecessors. In this context let me fondly recall our founder visionaries, Rev. Fr. John Berchmans CMI and Rev. Fr. Francis Sales CMI; our former Managers and Principals who steered this Vessel of Learning with the support of the staff, students, parents and all our well-wishers.

Since the last many years it has been accolades all the way. The A+ level NAAC Accreditation and the CPE (College with potential for excellence) status are only some of the shining additions on the roll of honour. Such recognition becomes an incentive to work tirelessly to translate our potential into a reality. Our formula for growth has been simple: aim very high, plan accordingly and work as a team for the holistic development of our students and thus contribute to nation building.

Besides the formal NAAC rating the college has always enjoyed social accreditation and it has also earned the attention of educational institutions and industries near and far. India Today, a magazine of national standing, selected the College as the best Arts and Science College in the State this year too. Among the best 50 colleges at the National Level our College is ranked 15 in Science, 25 in Arts and 26 in commerce. We were selected as the venue in India for IGNOU-AEES collaborative computer training programme for 1600 teachers and administrative staff of Atomic Energy Educational Society. The on-line TOEFL Examination centre is a unique recognition for the College's network proficiency. We have MOUs with Spectrometry Division Washington University, USA, National Centre for Mass Spectrometry, ICT, Hyderabad and the British Council to name a few.

Since CPE recognition in 2004, 17 Ph.Ds have been produced by the various research centres of the college. The Department of Chemistry and the Department of Botany have been selected for the FIST programme under the Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India. The College and

the Nature Club jointly bagged the National Award for Environment Protection, instituted by the Central Khadi and Village Industries and the Indian Institute of Ecology Conservation and Environment Protection, Govt. of India. The giant leap in infrastructural development goes along with the facelift exercise that is going on. For five years in a row the college has bagged the I prize instituted by the District Agri-Horticultural Society for Campus Gardens.

### **College Community**

With 1863 students from backward, urban, and semi-urban backgrounds on its rolls, and with a handful of non-Malayalee students in most classes, we have a vibrant campus. Six of our Departments are recognized research centres for PhD under the MG University. This year too the University results made us proud.

The College has on its faculty 67 regular and 45 guest lecturers; 31 of the regular faculty are PhDs and 40 have M.Phil. Prof. T.J. Joseph, Selection Gr. Lecturer, and former HoD, of the Department of Botany is retiring after 30 years of service on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2009. Prof. Jose Abraham, Selection Gr. Lecturer, Dept. of English retires on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008 after 20 years of service. On behalf of the college community I thank them for their meritorious service. We have 50 members on the establishment staff who are known for their commitment. Mr. P.O. Thomas, Lab Asst. (HG), passed away on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2008, after 27 years of service. He was always duty conscious; with his simplicity and obliging nature he won the hearts of his colleagues. May his soul rest in peace.

### **Parent Teacher Association (PTA)**

The PTA and the Student's Welfare Trust meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday. PTA provided scholarship worth Rs. 31,000 for 66 students. It also provided financial aid of Rs. 40,000 for students.

### **Department of English**

At the start of the academic year, glad tidings reached the department in the form of a second rank for Ms. Vinaya Gopal, in the final year examinations of the BA Copyeditor course. Prof. K.M. Johnson was awarded Ph.D by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady.

A UGC NET training programme was held for PG Students from various colleges from 18<sup>th</sup> June to 20<sup>th</sup> June 2008. The English Association was inaugurated on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2008. Rev. Fr. George Endowment Lecture for UG students was delivered by Prof. C.R.Sankara Menon. Dr. Varghese C. Abraham, delivered the Rev. Dr. Dan Memorial Lecture on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2009. An MOU with the British Council has enabled the department to become an approved training centre for BEC (Business English Certificate) awarded by Cambridge University. The training for the

first batch is nearing completion and Prof. Jose Abraham is the co-ordinator. In association with P.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women, Chennai, we organized a media seminar on 07<sup>th</sup> January 2009. Right now the Department is gearing up for organizing the Rev. Dr. Dan Thottakara National Seminar which is scheduled for the first week of March 2009.

### **Department of Oriental Languages**

The Department of Oriental Languages plays a key role in planning and implementing the various cultural activities of the college. Some of the most active clubs and associations such as Literary Club, AICUF and Media Activities are organized by Sri. K.G. Narayanan, Dr. K.K. Paulose and Sri. Mathew Jose. The department conducted Hindi Fortnight celebration on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2008 with different activities. Around two hundred of our students appeared for Hindi pre-test conducted by Hindi Prachar Sabha. A trophy was awarded to our college by the Prachar Sabha for the maximum participation among MG University Colleges.

### **Department of Economics**

The activities of the Economics Association were inaugurated by Prof. Martin Patric of the Department of Economics, Maharaja's College, Ernakulam on November 15<sup>th</sup> 2008. The Annual General Body meeting of the Economics Alumni Association was held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2008.

This year also the department has continued its Village adoption scheme JANAPARVAM to enhance the quality of life and integrated development of BPL families in Maradu Panchayath. UGC sponsored State level seminar on "Ecotourism in Kerala-Challenges and Prospects" was organized by the Department on January 15-16 2009. Around 115 participants from around the state attended the seminar. Prof. Jay Kandappally, Professor of services management at the Ohio State University led the seminar on "Service Industries and the Opportunities" on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2008. The department organized a one day workshop on "Mapping The Future Business & Economics Studies" for the final year degree students on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2008. Rev. Fr. Gilson John has been awarded Ph.D by MG University, Kottayam. Dr. V.T. Jose has published his second book "Future of Public Undertakings". He is now an approved research guide. Dr. Sibi Zacharias obtained a major Research project worth Rs. 6 lakhs of the University Grants Commission for his proposed study on "Tribes and Human Rights Violations".

### **Department of Sociology**

The activities of the Sociology Association was inaugurated by Mrs. M S Jaya, Senior Town Planning Officer, on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2008. Two career orientation programmes were conducted on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2008 and 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2008. The Alumni Meeting was held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2008. The Department hosted the 35<sup>th</sup> ALL KERALA CONFERENCE of the Kerala Sociological Society

from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2008. The Conference was attended by 425 delegates from all over the state. The other initiatives of the Department are Sargavedi and Social Service Forum.

### **Department of Commerce**

Our B.Com. Students secured 98.39% pass in the University Examination, bagging 8 ranks out of the first 10 ranks declared by the University. Ms. Sreedevi. M.P secured I rank with 94.7 % marks and Mr. Kishen K. Warriar secured III rank with 93.71 % marks. The department conducted a seminar on “Prospects, Relevance & Avenues of Management Studies on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2008. The Commerce Association was inaugurated on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2008. Prof George Chakola Memorial Award day celebrations on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2009 feted the B.Com. and M.Com rank holders. Gold medals were given to Ms. Sreedevi M.P (B.Com I rank) and Ms. Tintu Joseph (M.Com II rank) on this occasion. Dr. Stanly Chazhour is the latest research guide in the Department.

### **Department of Mathematics**

This year too our BSc Students secured 100% pass in the university examination. The Alumni meeting was held on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2008. The two day UGC sponsored National Seminar on “Coding Theory and Cryptography” was organized on 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> October 2008. A one day seminar on “Applied Statistics” was conducted on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2008. The festival of Mathematics Department. “Zero Day” was celebrated on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2008. A regional quiz programme on statistics in association with the old Student’s Forum of Department of Statistics, CUSAT was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2009. Basic Maths Learning Programme (BMLP) was conducted for the students of other disciplines. As part of extension services the department cooperated with “Janaparvam” organized by the Department of Economics.

### **Department of Physics**

Prof. Georgekutty Joseph & Prof. Siby Mathew were awarded Ph.D. by M.G.University. Physics Association was inaugurated by the Principal. An exhibition on Physics projects & experiments was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2009, which was open to the students of the college & nearby schools. A get-together of the first batch of B.Sc physics students (1956-58 batch) was held in April 2008. The Alumni Association met on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2009 and scholarships instituted in the name of retired teachers were distributed to students of BSc Physics.

## **Department of Chemistry**

The FIST programme of DST, has come as a great boon to the development of the Department. The M.Sc lab has been renovated with state of art infrastructure. Two day-National seminar on 'Current Advances in Chemical sciences' sponsored by UGC, Prof. K.V. Thomas Endowment and KSCSTE was organized on 26-27 November 2008. Dr. A. Sivathanu Pillai, Chief Controller, DRDO inaugurated the seminar. In addition to the invited lectures by eminent scholars, forty research students made oral and poster presentations. Prof. V.S. Sebastian was awarded Ph.D from Mahatma Gandhi University from the Research Centre of the Department under the guidance of Dr. M. George. The annual Chemistry Awareness programme (CAP) was organised on 17<sup>th</sup> January for the +2 students of two neighbouring schools. The 12<sup>th</sup> Prof. P.J. Joseph memorial intercollegiate science quiz was organized on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2009. Ms Anjana Narayanankutty and Ms Priya Krishnan have secured the first and the third rank respectively for M.Sc Applied Chemistry.

## **Department of Botany**

In to its 51<sup>st</sup> year , the Botany Department has been recognized by Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India, under FIST programme. An amount of 35 lakhs has been sanctioned for the infrastructure development of the Department.

The Botany Association activities were formally inaugurated on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2008. On the occasion Prof T U Joseph, Former HOD Botany released the golden jubilee souvenir. The Botany Association conducted Flora Fest-The Cultural and Educational meet on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> December.

A job training program in Tissue culture for B. Sc Biotechnology students from Newman's college, Thodupuzha was conducted. Fr. Aquinas Inter Collegiate Botany Quiz competition was conducted by the Department on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2009. A very informative book on plants titled "Know your garden plants" by the faculty member, Mr. Jacob Varghese was released in January 2009. Remedial coaching is being provided to the weak students. Annual get together of the Botany Alumni Association is scheduled to be conducted on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2009. Dr. Joy P. Joseph has been awarded a major UGC project for Rs. 8.25 lakhs and Dr. V.J Dominic has been given a minor project worth Rs. 2 lakhs.

## **Department of Zoology**

Ms. Dhanya N. and Ms. Gloria Prestina of M.Sc. Zoology secured 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> ranks respectively in the MSc Zoology examination. The ranks added sheen to the cent percent first

class in the M.Sc Examinations. The B.Sc. batch also produced 100% result. A referral book 'Spiders of India' edited by Dr. P.A. Sebastian, Reader, Department of Zoology and Dr. K.V. Peter, former Vice Chancellor of Kerala Agriculture University was released by Padma Bhushan Dr. V.L Chopra, Member Planning Commission, Govt. of India, New Delhi as part of the 'World Science Day celebration' on 10<sup>th</sup> November. Dr. Sebastian, Dr. John Joseph and Dr. M.J. Mathew participated in the 24<sup>th</sup> European Colloquium of Arachnology held at Bern, Switzerland and presented papers. The Department in association with the Zoological Society of Kerala arranged a one day Practical Training on Revised Practical Syllabus. The Zoology association organized various programmes like inter departmental quiz competition, Zoofest etc.

### **Department of Physical Education**

Physical education is a significant component of holistic education, with tangible value-addition to the stakeholders' well being. This year 15 men and 6 women teams participated in the M.G. University inter-collegiate championships. Out of that the college emerged as Winners in Five disciplines, Runners up in Three and Third in Three. College Judo team secured overall championship in the Ernakulam District Judo Championship and the Volleyball men team were the winners of 5 major tournaments. Sanker Gopan, Alwin Francis and Suraj P.H were selected to the Indian shuttle Badminton team. Sankar and Alwin will also represent India in the Commonwealth Games. Arun Raj has been selected as Mr. MG University, and Mr. Kerala in Body building. Ajesh T.S. and Dano Thomas were members of the winning Kerala team in the All India Youth Championship held recently. Rynold Timothy is the State Tennis Champion (Senior).

The department organized the At Home function for the Managers and Officials of the Inter University Athletic Championship. Our Education Minister Sri. M.A. Baby and our Vice Chancellor Prof. Rajan Kurukkal attended the function. Prof. Peter Thomman Endowment Award for the outstanding Sportsman was given to Arun Raj and Meera Vijayan bagged the outstanding sportswomen award.

### **Department of Aquaculture**

The Staff and Students participated in the AQUA SHOW conducted by the Dept. of Fisheries, Govt. of Kerala and received the best *Gourami* Award. The students visited farms and Research Centres including Research vessel *Sagar Sampada* of the Ministry of Earth Sciences. Prof. Prabhakaran M.P. was awarded PhD. Degree by Cochin University of Science and Technology. Dr. V.C. George was appointed as Consultant in National Agricultural Innovation (NAIP) Project in Tuna Fishing at ICAR Head Quarters, New Delhi.

## **Department of B.Com Computer Applications**

The Association of the students of B.Com Computer Application was inaugurated on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2008. A placement and soft skill development training programme was organized for the final year B.Com students from 23<sup>rd</sup> January to 27<sup>th</sup> January 2009.

## **Department of BSc Computer Applications**

Various Seminars and a class on Career Orientation were organized for the students. The department proved that it has come of age by hosting FUTURO-MAC '08, an Inter collegiate IT Fest which aimed at exploring the potential of students in the IT field. The programme began with a seminar on 'Visual Effects in Media'. Students also organized different events like Gaming Zone, Coding and Debugging, IT Quiz & Word Hunt in different venues. More than ten students were recruited by reputed firms including MNCs. The faculty wholeheartedly co-operated with the ICT program of Atomic Energy Education Society. Remedial classes are offered for slow learners.

## **Library**

The Computerized General Library of the college has a collection of 76000 books and it subscribes to 109 Journals (Science Journals and General). DELNET facility is also available. In addition to the general library there are department libraries attached to Economics, Commerce, English and Zoology Departments. The general library has a spacious reference section with a collection of over 10,000 books for reference.

## **College Union**

The election to the College Union was held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2008. The following were elected as the office bearers. Sebin K.P. (Chairman), Maijo Ignatious (General Secretary), Vineesh V.B. UUC, Glyness R. (UUC), Jino F. Dawson (Arts club secretary), Anitta Rose Thomas (Vice chairperson), Emily Jo Mark (Lady Rep.), Rose B. Kadavan (Lady Rep.) The College Union was formally inaugurated by Mrs. Sreelekha IPS on 07 October 2008. The Arts Club was inaugurated on 31<sup>st</sup> Oct. 2008, by the film star Sri Saiju Kurup. Kerala Piravi celebrations and the related contests were organized with the co-operation of the literary club on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2008. The union co-operated with the literary and cultural clubs of the college in organizing all the major events. The Union conducted a film festival on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> January 2009. On 28<sup>th</sup> January 2009 the Union organized the Idea Campus Star sponsored by Club FM and Idea. The union has endeavored to promote the cultural and literary pursuits of all students in the University Youth Festival.

## **NCC Army Wing**

NCC activities of the year 2008-09 marked a turning point in the history of NCC activities of our college. Permission has been granted to increase the authorized strength of cadets from 130 to 160 as per our request. On July 11<sup>th</sup>, the NCC Army Wing and Naval Wing jointly observed “Paryavaran Divas” (Environment Day). On October 2<sup>nd</sup> Gandhi Jayanthi day, we conducted an awareness programme on waste management. CQMS Ranveer Singh was appointed as Senior under officer. sgt. Manu Sebastian and Sgt. Sariga Muraleedharan were appointed as junior under officers of the company. On armed forced day we collected valuable contribution from the staff, students and the public. On 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2008, 27 cadets went on a cycle expedition to Chimmey Dam, about 100 kms from our college, spreading the message of environmental protection. Our unit was represented in various camps held in different parts of the country.

## **NCC Naval Wing**

NCC Naval wing began its activities in the 2nd week of August, enrolling 50 cadets. Besides training cadets in naval service, we give great importance to physical fitness and the development of personality by conducting group discussions, quiz, snap talks & cultural programmes. P O cadet Somnath Sahoo and P O cadet Jisha Xavier were selected as cadet captains of SD boys and SW girls respectively. Many of our cadets participated in various camps, which gave them an opportunity to get special training in boat work, ship modeling, communication, boat pulling and sailing. On Gandhi Jayanthi day, the social service programme PARADIGM was inaugurated by Cdr K P Mathew, commanding officer, 7(K) Naval Ncc Ernakulam. Cadet vekita Krishnan was selected to the prestigious Republic day camp at New Delhi. P O Cadet Purnima Kesavan successfully completed the national integration camp at Uttarangal. A lot of social exposure programmes were arranged this year.

## **National Service Scheme (NSS)**

The College has 3 units with a volunteer strength of 351 students. Volunteer secretaries attended the University level Volunteer secretaries training camp held at Ramapuram, Palai. 15 volunteers have attended the training session on Anti-Terrorism conducted by Nehru Yuvak Kendra. Legal Awareness classes for II DC students were organized by N.S.S unit in association with State Legal Aid Cell, Ernakulam.



## **Career Guidance Centre**

The Centre caters to the career needs of students. 17 periodicals dealing exclusively on career matters are made available to the students. The centre prepares students to face career-oriented examinations with confidence, and prepares them to face interviews and to take part in group discussions.

## **AICUF**

All India Catholic University Federation (AICUF) conducted various programmes during the year 2008-09. Different camps on various topics were arranged to impart the idea of AICUF society based on social justice. Teachers Day was celebrated on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2008.

## **Women's Cell**

The Women's cell of played a proactive roll during the academic year 2008-09. A pro-life programme was organized by women's cell on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2008. Members from KCBC Media team presented the evils of abortion, pan parag etc with visuals. A seminar on Domestic Violence Act was conducted on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2008. A workshop on handicrafts, using coconut shell was conducted on 30/1/2009. In a second workshop, Ms. Stella Mathews taught students to make artificial flowers using tissue cloth.

## **Jesus Youth**

Jesus Youth meets every Wednesday for prayer under the leadership of Ms Merrine of II DC Maths. X-mas was celebrated solemnly and the message was given by Prof. Jose Abraham, who retires from service this year. A pilgrimage to Bharananganam, Mannanam and Kudamaloor was arranged for the students.

## **Music Club**

In this musically vibrant year, we have a galaxy of singing stars which included Aiswarya, Gayathri Suresh and B. Lakshmi who set the reality show circuit on fire, with their sterling performances, in Rangoli, Starwars etc. A host of other singers brought laurels to the college in the MG University Youth Festival. Our team won the III prize in both Eastern and Western group. The teams were led by Susan Correya and Manjusha respectively. B. Lakshmi I MSc (Physics) won the I prize in Indian Classical Music. Manjusha won the second prize in the same event. The surprise find of the Youth Festival was Jose, I BSc (CA), who won the II prize in Western

Percussion. The club is indeed proud to have had a very talented bunch of musicians including M. Madhu, C.S. Prince, Jude James who are passing out this year.

### **Dance Club**

The Dance Club of the college has been very active during this academic year. The students participated and secured prizes in the intercollegiate dance competitions held at Rajagiri College Kalamassery, St. Alberts College, Ernakulam and CMS College, Kottayam. Heartifest the cultural festival of our college was celebrated with enthusiasm and the club members had a major role in the Rangoli Competition. Bony Mathew, Parvathy and Manjusha led our winning teams.

### **Speakers Forum**

The first meeting of the Speakers Forum was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2008 in which the activities, and the objectives of the forum were discussed. An orientation program for the members was held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2008 by Prof . K .C . Abraham. Aneesh .P. Rajan , a former member of the speakers forum was felicitated on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2008 for his performance in the Civil Services Examination. Sargapadham 2008, the intercollegiate literary pentathlon was held on 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2008. 17 Colleges participated and U.C.College, Aluva, was declared the best all-round team. Hrdyasargasangamam an Inter Departmental Cultural Competition was conducted in association with the College Union and other clubs in November 2008. Suada, an Intra Mural Debate Competition was conducted on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2009. A film festival was also conducted on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2009.

### **Heartifest**

Heartifest is the family festival of our college. It was started 18 years ago to promote cultural and artistic talents of our students. It is the festival of youthful hearts, music, dance and drama. It never grows old. It was celebrated on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009. A good number of parents and well wishers attended the programme.

### **Primrose Nature Club**

Primrose Nature Club organized and conducted Nature Awareness and Conservation programmes in collaboration with various organizations during the academic year 2008-09. The club activities were inaugurated on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2008 by Mr. S. Sun, Asst. Conservator of Forest. “The World Environment Day” was celebrated with “Nammude Maram” Project of Kerala Government.

The class room beautification contest and the flower carpet competition were held as usual. Our college received the National Environmental Awareness Award 2008 instituted by Khadi and Village Industries Development Agency of India and Indian institute of Ecology and Environment, New Delhi. Dr. V. J. Dominic received the Award from Union Minister for Heavy Industry and Public Enterprises, at Gandhi Peace Foundation, New Delhi on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2008.

### **Tourism Club**

The inauguration of the activities of the Tourism Club was on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2008, which was followed by Onam celebrations with traditional games. On September 29, the club conducted an open quiz competition with Mr. Jaykar T.S as the master. The Club organized a seminar on “Job opportunities in the Travel Industry” on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2008. Club members visited Kalchady primitive tribe colony on 8<sup>th</sup> November and distributed rice and study materials to the tribals. Sri. Goutham V.K was selected to the State Executive committee for Tourism Clubs.

### **Literary Club**

Mrs. Taniya S. Bhattathiri inaugurated the activities of the club. “Kerala Piravi” was celebrated with interesting programmes. The club brought out a manuscript magazine, “Nooru Pookal” on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2009. In association with Mathrubhoomi daily we conducted a programme named ‘Madhuram Malayalam’. Film shows were held to heighten the cinematic sense of the members.

### **Youth Red Cross Society**

The Youth Red Cross has been very active. On 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2008, HIV/AIDS awareness programme was conducted by exhibiting posters and presenting skits. A blood identification programme was conducted during the month of August. The members visited The Red Ribbon Express. On World Food Day, rice was collected and distributed. World Aids Day was observed on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008.

### **DIET (College Canteen)**

Despite the inflation in market price of commodities we have managed to provide hygienic and quality food at affordable prices. The out door catering unit which was started last year has become full-fledged and now caters to the needs of various seminars and workshops conducted in our college. The canteen provides employment to 15 persons and free meals to a few of our deserving students.

## **Campus Recruitment and Placement Cell**

In spite of the global meltdown the campus placement cell succeeded in securing placements for twenty final year degree students of the College in reputed organizations like Google.com, WIPRO Technologies Ltd., etc. Ranbaxy Pharmaceuticals Ltd., and Mahindra Holiday Resorts Ltd. have agreed to make recruitments during February-March 2009. For the first time in Kerala Google.com, selected Aravind R of II B.Com Taxation and Nikhil Philip Jacob of II B.Com Computer Application as their campus ambassadors in the college. Infosys Technologies appointed Sandeep Kumar of III B.Com as their campus ambassador for 2008-2009. Four teachers of the college, Prof. Thomas T.P, Dr. Joseph T.Moolayil, Prof. K.M. Johnson and Prof. Siby K.I, attended a week long soft skill training programme organized by the Kerala IT Mission, Four training programmes were organized with the help of the reputed trainers of the state for increasing the employability of the students.

## **Student Counseling Centre**

Student Counseling Services have been available during the academic year 2008-09. Two counsellors were appointed-Mrs.Shirley Tharakan, consultant Psychologist and Rev. Fr. Johny Chirakkal. Sessions were given to the student's batch wise. Students freely availed their service through out the academic year.

## **Co-Operative Society**

The College Co-operative Society has completed 32 years of service. This year 38 students availed the benefit of '*Vidyarthi Kshemanithi*', a project to empower the economically weak students.

## **Conclusion**

To conclude this academic saga, I can confidently say that for the last many years the college has been making giant strides in the field of higher education. Readiness is all, and we are ready to work relentlessly to reach the goal expected from us by the society and the country. We shall remain true to our mission and vision and contribute holistic individuals to the society. The measureless heights of excellence keep beckoning us and we shall surge forward.

I thank our guest of honour Prof. Sunny Thomas for having graced the occasion with his inspiring presence. He knows, more than any one of us, the values of hard work and team effort. Now as I present this report before this august gathering, I bow down to raise my heart in humble gratitude to the most Sacred Heart of Jesus, our caring patron.

Thank you all.

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Fr. A.J. Saviance  
Principal