

OYSTER

(Organisation of yesteryear students of Rajagiri College of Social Sciences)

Annual Report 2019-2020

The year 2019-20 was a fruitful year for OYSTER as well as for Rajagiri College of Social Sciences

OYSTER activities for the period:

OYSTER Home Coming Day Jan 26th 2019

OYSTER Day 2019 was conducted in Rajagiri Hill Campus, Kalamassery on 26th January from 10am to 2pm. The registration started by 10am and a total of 155 members registered for the event. The formal event started with Rajagiri Anthem followed with one minute silence in honour of all the departed alumni members. Dr Joseph I Injodey (Executive Director) welcomed the gathering. The annual activity report of OYSTER for the year 2017-18 was presented by Mr. Kiran Thampi (Secretary, OYSTER). The highlights were the OYSTER Home coming day 2018, Alumni Involvement in Syllabus Revision, Alumni contribution in various events organized by the departments, OYSTER contribution for best students in various departments etc. The cultural programmes presented by students from different batches engaged the audience. Presidential address was given by Mr. Venugopal K (President, OYSTER). He thanked all the alumni members who have contributed to the alma mater and made the institution proud. Dr. Binoy Joseph (Principal) mentioned about the new courses in Rajagiri as well as the structural change, Rajagiri is undergoing. Dr Mary Venus Joseph (Dean and Administrator) addressed the gathering and introduced the batches being honoured. The alumni members, who have completed 50 years after completing their course in Rajagiri were honoured. Special mention was made for Decennial batches (2008 passed out for MBA, PGDM 2008 passed out for MCA and 2008 passed out for BSW and BLiSc). Ms. Sapna, (Executive Member, Bengaluru Chapter) was invited for the Briefing on Bengaluru Chapter Activities. Dr. Mary Venus was invited for Briefing on forthcoming NAAC Visit for Assessment and Accreditation. Election of Office Bearers for the period 2019-2021 was held during the time of OYSTER. Dr Joseph I Injodey was the Election Officer and the selected committee members are Mr. Venugopal K (President), Somy John (Vice President), Deepthy (Vice President), Dr. Kiran thampi (Secretary). Vote of Thanks

was proposed by Mr. Issac Varghese, Vice President, OYSTER. Photo Session was held and followed by Lunch at the college mess hall.



Executive Committee Meetings

Executive board met 1 time during the time period

Updation of the Alumni directory

Regular updation of the Alumni Directory is on with the available data and special thanks to Dr Mary Venus for supporting the cause.

Alumni involvement in campus activities

Alumni members had meaningful contribution to the institution as Resource persons and linkages for other resources during conferences and seminars organized by the various departments in the college. Rajagiri HRx club –online network of Rajagiri HR admin is active through discussions. Dr George Palattiyil (1994 MSW passout and currently Programme chair in Edinburgh University, Scotland) gave a session in DYUTI 2020 National Seminar. Dr Albert Kuruvilla (2005 MSW Passout and currently MSW programme convener in Waikato University, New Zealand) conducted session in DYUTI Preconference and also conducted a 3 day workshop on Research methodology. For mid internship review conducted on May 2019 for MBA, MHRM and PGDM Alumni where also part of the evaluation panel in Chennai, Bangalore and Kochi.



Alumni visiting Rajagiri had interactive sessions with faculty members and students. They enlightened the students by sharing their experiences and motivated them with the opportunities they have for career. Ms Chippy, Mr Sajo Joy (Both MSW 2018 Passout), Ms Aneeta Francis (2015 MSW passout), Ms Blessy Antony (2017 MSW passout) gave sessions and interacted with students during the induction programme of current MSW Batch. Transcend Alumni meet was conducted on 11th January 2020 after Crayons. 15 alumni members attended the meeting from MBA, MHRM and PGDM. Suja Chandy (MBA 1997 – 99), MD, Nissan Digital India, Preethi Gopalakrishnan (MA, PM & IR 1994 - 96), Associate Director, Talent at EY GDS cam for the induction programme at Kakkanad campus. Rasha Kutty (PGDM 2009 – 11), Founder & Facilitator, The Empathy University supported industry interaction as part of curriculum.

Alumni presence in placements

1. Rohit Sunny, HR, Landmark Group (PGDM 2011 – 2013)
2. Elsa Mariyam, Hr Executive, Landmark Group (PGDM 2015 – 2017)
3. Christeena George (MBA 2015 – 17), Client Servicing, Maitri Advertising
4. Mathew Jose (MBA 2016 – 18), Deputy Manager, Marketing & Sales, DHL
5. Raez Abdul (MHRM 2007 – 09), Asst. Manager - HR, Jaleel Holdings
6. SAJID UR REHMAN TM (MHRM 2006 – 08), Manager – HR, Jaleel Holdings
7. Yasir Yousuf (PGDM 2015 – 17), Associate Program Manager, Symphony Talent
8. Vishnu Thottumughath (MBA 2014 – 16), Senior Associate | Product Management | Media Cloud, Symphony Talent
9. Sudheesh Nair S (MBA 2015 – 17), Manager-I-HR at ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited.
10. Geevarghese Skaria, HR, Reliance Jio
11. Bindu Pothuval, Sr. Manager HR & Operations, Wisilica
12. Meera Prakash (Batch 2017 – 19), MMTV
13. Monica, MMTV
14. Mary, HR (Batch 2007 – 09), IDBI Bank

Alumni presence in Internship

1. Arun Mathews (MHRM 2005 – 07), Deputy General Manager – HR, Landmark Group
2. Manoj, HR, Appolo Perambra
3. Joseph Jackson Panakkal (MA, PM & IR 1995 – 97), HR Leader India at WABCO
4. Nikhil Joseph (MBA 2002 – 04), Senior Manager CRM at Aster DM Healthcare
5. Rajeev George (MHRM 2007 – 09), Head IR, Tea Business, Harisson Malayalam
6. Salim E.A (PG, Management 1991 – 93), MD, Sunikh Components.Pvt.Ltd
7. Maddikera Anantha Krishna (MBA 2011 – 13), Manager - HR, Synthite Industries Pvt. Ltd
8. Venugopal Viswanathan (PG diploma in Social Services), Deputy General Manager RMD at Bennett, Coleman and Co. Ltd. (Times Group)
9. Hari govindan, HR, VKL Spices

10. P J Jolly, HR, YUM Brands

Alumni Involvement in Syllabus Revision

The various departments in the college are having Alumni members as board of studies members. The board meets and takes decision on syllabus updating, new courses to be introduced and the teaching learning process.

Best Outgoing student in various Programmes in the name of alumni members

An award for Best Outgoing student in MSW Programme was initiated by 1984-86 MSW Batch in memory of Shri Roy & late Shri Chacko in connection with their Silver Jubilee Year. During the certificate awarding ceremony held in 2019, Ms Shilpa Yohannan was awarded with the Roy & Chacko memorial cash award for the best outgoing student in MSW Programme. Prof K A Balakrishnan Memorial award was given to Ms Amaya Jimmy, Fr Jolly John and Mr Paul John Varghese from MSW. Best performer in academics and field practicum (Prof V J Pappoo award) in PGDCSW was given to Ms Greeshmitha Sen. Four awards were given for BSW students in the name of social work educators who taught in the Social Work Programme.

Alumni OYSTER Sale

As an initiative to promote Entrepreneurial ventures of our Alumni, conducted Xmas sale exclusively for the Alumni Entrepreneurs. The event was organized by OYSTER (Alumni Association) in association with Rajagiri College of Social Sciences (Autonomous) and Rajagiri Business School. The event was in Kalamassery campus on 19th December 2019 and was inaugurated by Dr Joseph I Injodey and Dr Fr Varghese K Varghese. The first sale was done by Mr. Jesus George Alumni, MCA, by handing over the product “Thuni Sanji” eco-friendly bag to Dr. Joseph I. Injodey (Executive Director). There were 6 stalls from our alumni and college provided covered space with basic necessities to set up the stall. The sale went on well, Faculty and students of our campus and teachers and staff of Schools within the campus took part in the sale.



Chapter news

Bengaluru chapter is having 200 members currently and frequently meet and connect. They have started MNM (Monthly network meetings) to connect themselves and sharing latest developments in various fields and exploration of team building possibilities. They had their first meeting on 22nd June 2019 for the initial meeting. Second meeting was held on 13th July 2019 and discussed on the theme “Personal finance”.



Chennai Chapter met on 15th January 2020. It was attended by 10 members in Chennai chapter. They discussed about Chapter enhancement activities, plan to proactively connect with the college, holding larger level meeting of Chennai Alumni in March etc.



We thank overseas alumni members especially in USA for supporting our students for their placement activities.

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- Rev. Dr. Fr Mathew Vattathara CMI, Director, Rajagiri Institutions

- Rev. Dr Fr.Saju M D, Asst Director and Counsellor, Education ,SH Province
- Dr.Joseph I Injodey, Executive Director, Rajagiri Institutions
- Dr Binoy Joseph, Principal, RCSS
- Dr.Mary Venus Joseph, Dean, Research
- Mr.Venugopal K and all the executive members
- All the alumni members for their continued support and cooperation
- The entire department heads, faculty members and the live lab staff members.

There is also a request to all the alumni members to register themselves in almaconnect, an online networking platform where you can connect with Rajagiri and among yourselves.