RAJAGIRI HIGHLIGHTS



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FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE AUTONOMOUS STATUS OF RCSS:



Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri. Oommen Chandy inaugurating the function

Formal Announcement of the Autonomous Status of Rajagiri College of Social Sciences was made on 29th July 2014 at Rajagiri Valley campus Kakkanad. The Chief Guest of the ceremony was Shri. Oommen Chandy - Hon'ble \Chief Minister of Kerala. Sri. K Babu, Hon'ble Minister of Fisheries, Ports & Excise and Sri. Ibrahim Kunju, Hon'ble Minister of Public Works were the Guests of Honour. Fr. Antony Kariyil CMI (Director, Rajagiri Group of Educational Institutions) welcomed the gathering and Rev. Dr. Cletus Plackal CMI (Provincial & Manager, SH Province, Kochi) presided over the function. Rev. Fr. Jose Alex CMI highlighted on Rajagiri Milestones. The felicitators were Shri. V. D. Satheesan MLA, Shri. Benny Behanan MLA, Shri. Hibi Eden MLA, Shri. Joseph Vazhackan MLA, Shri. T. P Sreenivasan (Vice-Chairman, Kerala State Higher Education Council) and Shri. MR. Unni, Registrar, MG University. Dr. Joseph I. Injodey (Principal) proposed vote of thanks

DEEKASHARAMBHAM

Deekasharambham, the initiation ceremony for MSW, MCA, MLISC, BSW, BLISC and PGDAHS was held at Kalamassery campus on 25th August 2014. Dr. D. Babu Paul, Former Additional Chief Secretary and Ombudsman, Government of Kerala was the chief guest



SOCIAL SENSITISATION CAMPS

 Hill campus - Margadarshan 2014 - NSS Social Sensitisation camp was conducted at Edadu near Moolamattom from 27th August to 4th September 2014 for MSW, MCA, MLISC, BSW, BLISC and PGDAHS students. The Camp focused on Construction of a road and house visits.



Students actively participating in the camp

Valley campus - The Social Sensitization Camp for the academic year 2014-15 for the MBA, MHRM, PGDM and RISER students was held from August 27th to September 2nd, 2014 at Adimali Grama Panchayat of Idukki district. Students from the first year batches numbering 333 attended the camp. 10 faculty members accompanied the students. One of the main tasks of the camp was to provide drinking water facilities to the rural tribes as part of the Jalanidhi project which is funded by the World Bank



RAJAGIRI INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

 Dr. Lizy P.J, Head, Dept. of Social Work . was a resource person in the 5th Summer University Programme in Social Work - 'Vulnerability, Empowerment and Social Work', organised by the School of Social Work & Health Sciences, University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Lausanne, Western Switzerland from 30th June to 11th July 2014. In the programme, Dr. Lizy presented a paper titled "Problems of Rural Elderly Women in Kerala and the Need for Social Work Intervention".



Dr. Lizy P.J. presenting at Lausanne, Western Switzerland

Ms. Lakshmi Soman, Ms. Diya Elizabeth and Mr. Josin John, MSW Senior students also attended the programme



Rajagiri Team at Summer University

• Dr. Binoy Joseph, Prof. Jaedong Kang & Prof. Pramod U Korula visited South Korea from 28th July to 10th Aug 2014 in collaboration with Korean universities. They visited Dongguk University, Seoul, Sookmyung Women's University, Seoul, Youngnam University, Kyungsan, Youngsan University, Kyungsung University, Pukyung National University, Pusan.



Rajagiri team members with Korean officials

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CENTRE FOR DOCTORAL RESEARCH

Bi- annual Meeting of the Doctoral scholars and guides was held on 2nd August 2014 - 8 Management scholars and 7 Social Work scholars attended the meeting



Guides and Scholars during the bi-annual meeting

PANEL DISCUSSION ON UNION BUDGET 2014-15:

A seminar on 'Panel Discussion on Union Budget 2014-15' was held on July 17, 2014 at RBS Conference Hall. The speakers were Ms. Mythili Bhusnurmath-Consulting Editor, Economic Times, New Delhi, Mr. Venugopal C. Govind FCA-Managing Partner, Varma & Varma and Dr. Mathew Joseph-Professor, RCBS.



Panel discussion

INDUSTRIAL INTERACTION: SHRM TRAINING:

The 1st session of SHRM training on "Visioning & Goal Setting". for all junior batches of Kakkanad valley campus was held on July 19, 2014 at RBS Auditorium. The 2nd session of SHRM training on "Understanding Employers Expectations from a Fresher" was held on August 23, 2014.



Inauguration of SHRM training

SEMINAR ON WOMAN ENTREPRENEURSHIP:

Seminar on Woman Entrepreneurship for the lady students was held in association with CII-IWN on August 8, 2014 in RBS Auditorium. The chief guest of the programme was Ms. Shereen Navas , Chairperson – IWN. The speakers were Ms. Chitra Krishnan, Managing Director, CK's Treat, Ms. Meghana Bindhu madhav Director Bhīma Boutique, Ms. Minu Pauline, CEO Pappadavada, and Ms. Ann Joseph, Student Entrepreneur. The faculty Coordinator was Dr. Rosemary Varghese.



Ms. Shereen Navas inaugurating the seminar

MDP- BUSINESS EXCELLENCE THROUGH EFFECTIVE HR:

MDP on Business Excellence through Effective HR for cghearth was held on August 19, 2014 at RBS GLC. There were 12 participants and the faculty coordinator was Dr. Manoj Mathew.



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FACULTY Development programmes:

• FDP on Sexual Harassment based on Act 2013

FDP on "Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013" was held on Aug 5, 2014 at KRL Auditorium. The resource person was Prof. H. A. C Poppen. Faculty members of RCSS & RCBS attended the programme.



Prof. H.A. C Poppen handling the session

FDP on Effective Academic Presentations

Internal Quality Assurance Cell held an FDP on "Effective Academic Presentations" for the faculty of RCSS & RCBS on September 23, 2014 at RSOM. The resource persons were Dr. Rosemary Varghese, Dr. Mathew Joseph and Prof. Angela Susan Mathew.



Dr. Mathew Joseph addressing the faculty members

RAJAGIRI TRANSCEND

Session on Child Rights Laws relating to children:

A session on "Child Rights Laws relating to Children" was organized for the school going children living in the neighbourhood community on 14th June 2014 at RCBS. 23 children in the age group of 10 to 18 years participated in the programme.

Community Teaching Programme (Shiksha-graha):

As part of the community outreach programme, RCBS students initiated week end classes for the neighbourhood children from June 22nd 2014. Programmes on Communicative English, Basic Mathematics, Hindi and training on Public Speaking. The programme will be continued throughout the year. Around 25 children are the beneficiaries of the programme.

Anti-Drug Day campaign:

On 26th June, "Anti-Drug Day campaign" was organized in the campus by the students. Poster preparation, paintings etc were organised



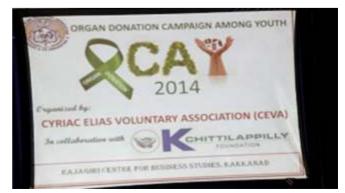
Independence Day celebration:

The 68th Independence Day celebration started with flag hoisting by Fr. Francis Manavalan with the Rajagirians at KRL auditorium and 27 students from the Rajagiri neighbourhood participated. The lighting of the lamp was done by Prof.Shirley Rita Luiz and Shri K K Shaju, two Transcend members and one of the 27 neighbourhood students.



Awareness Generation Campaign about Organ donation:

Rajagiri TRANSCEND, in association with CEVA(Cyriac Elias Voluntary Association) organized an Awareness





Generation Campaign – Organ Donation Campaign Among Youth (OCAY) on 16th September 2014 among Rajagiri Students to equip them with the knowledge of Organ Donation and its benefits to help others in need. Around 400 students participated in the programme. Poster exhibitions also were arranged. Resource persons from CEVA lead the sessions.

RAJAGIRI OUTREACH

CWC State Level Consultation

UNICEF, Chennai has entrusted the study "Review on the functioning of CWC's in the State of Kerala" to RAJAGIRI outREACH. As a part of the triangulation on the information received, a State Level Consultation was organized to present the 'Draft Report on Review of Child Welfare committees in Kerala' dated 16th July, 2014 at Mascot Hotel, Thiruvananthapuram. The participants were representatives of Child Welfare Committees, KSCPCR, KELSA, ICPS, KILA, TISS –Kerala Centre, KeCRO, DPI, Police Department (Special Juvenile Police unit) UNICEF and staffs from RAJAGIRI outREACH. Mr. M. P. Antoni, Project Director and Ms. Asha Mariam Cherian, Documentation Officer of RAJAGIRI outREACH presented the review report. The report presentation was followed by an open discussion of the participants



Kinder For Kinder Sponsorship

Representatives from Kinder for Kinder, a project of Keli, Switzerland visited the Buds School at Kumbalangi on 9th of August, 2014. The programme was co-ordinated by RAJAGIRI outreach and the Chief Guest of the programme was Prof. K. V. Thomas MP. The Presidential Address was made by Mr. Dominic Presentation MLA. Kinder representatives distributed school materials for BUDS school and a cheque for Nine Lakhs Ten Thousand rupees was handed over to Project Director of RAJAGIRI out REACH.



Independence Day Celebration For Migrants

Perumbavoor Migrant Suraksha Project celebrated Independence Day on 15th of August 2014 and the Project Staff conducted Film shows and distributed Flags and sweets to the migrant labourers. On this special occasion, migrants were given opportunity to perform cultural programmes and about 150 Migrants took part in the celebration.



Pakalveedu Anniversary Celebration

Kadamakkudy Pakalveedu (a Day Care Centre for Elderly) has celebrated their 10th anniversary on August 24. 2014. Onakodi was distributed to the elderly on the same day and the function was inaugurated by Shri. Alex Manavalan, Member of Edapally Block Panchayath. The programme was sponsored by Shri. T. I. Balakrishnan of M/s. Balaji Glass and Paints.



Onam Souhrudam

Onam Souhrudam 2014' a one day gathering of all sponsored children belonging to 17 centers of Sahrudaya Services and Charities and RAJAGIRI outREACH was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Joy Ureth CMI Secretary for Evangelization and pastoral ministry on 12th September 2014 at RAJAGIRI High School Auditorium. Presidential address was rendered by Shri. M. P. Antoni Project Director, RAJAGIRI outREACH. The Valedictory function was presided by Fr. Mathew Kiriyanthan CMI Chairman, Sahrudaya Services and Charities and Rev. Fr. Antony Kariyil, Director, RAJAGIRI College of Social Sciences, Kalamassery delivered the Onam message. Cine Artist Mr. Maqbool Salman was the Chief Guest for the function. 650 children attended the programme.



India – Srilanka Seminar On Networking And Partnership

A team of 28 members from Sri Lanka comprising of Teachers and Project Officers representing various Government sectors and NGO's visited the RAJAGIRI College of Social Sciences on 27th of September, 2014. RAJAGIRI College Director Dr. Fr. Antony Kariyil C. M. I., Principal Dr. Joseph I. Injodey, RAJAGIRI outREACH Project Director Shri. M. P. Antoni and Shri. Rajeev S. R. welcomed the team lead by Dr. Jagathdharmapriya. An International Seminar was organized by RAJAGIRI outREACH and ICSW Kerala Chapter as a part of India-Sri. Lanka Networking and Partnership.



RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Role of Janamaithri Police in protecting the marginalized - the tribes

A state level workshop was organized on 26th and 27th September 2014, at the Kerala Police Academy, Thrissur, for the Beat officers working in the various tribal settlements of Kerala as part of the study on the 'Role of Janamaithri Police in the Protection of Tribal Communities in Kerala, undertaken by the Research Institute in association with the Home Department, Government of Kerala. Dr. B. Sandhya IPS, ADGP inaugurated the workshop. Dr. Celine Sunny and Smt. Nishanthini IPS, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Kochi moderated the panel discussions held thereon.



'WE Rise and Fly High'.....an innovation by the Federal Bank Ltd.

The Federal Bank Ltd. in association with the Research Institute has launched an innovative venture - Women Empowerment Training Programmes - for its women employees. Dr. B. Sandhya IPS, inaugurated the pilot programme held on 30th - 31st July 2014 at Federal Bank Towers, Kochi. Participants had a fruitful interaction with Shri. Shyam Srinivasan, the Managing Director & CEO of Federal Bank Ltd during the programme. 5 trainings were organized and 150 women officers participated in these programmes.



World Bank Visit at the Water Supply Project......

The World Bank team visited the work sites of the Jalanidhi Project at Vannappuram Grama Panchayat, Idukki district on 18th August 2014. The project was selected as one of the best projects in the district by the World Bank and the team appreciated the supporting organization-the Research Institute, and its team members for the commendable progress it has achieved.



EMPANELLED TRAINING INSTITUTION (ETI) FOR NSS

The Empanelled Training Institution for National Service Scheme has organized 6 Orientation Courses during the period July - September 2014 and the trainings were attended by 228 Programme Officers selected from various Universities and Directorates in the state.



Dr. Joseph I Injodey, Director ETI & Principal, Rajagiri College during the Valedictory Function of NSS Orientation Training Programmes

STATE ADOPTION RESOURCE AGENCY (SARA) - KERALA

Nijo Sebastian, Programme Manager SARA-Kerala is nominated as a State Level member for the Selection Committee in all the Districts of Kerala for selecting the contract employees of District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) of ICPS.

Adoptive Parents Get-Together

Mrs. Cicily Baby, Programme Officer, SARA & Mrs. Indira Sajeev, Programme Assistant, SARA attended the adoptive families meet organized by Infant Jesus Sisubhavan, Rajamattom, Thottekkad, Kottayam on 13-09-2014 at S.H.Parish Hall, Thottekkad. Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala Shri.Oommen Chandy was the chief guest. Twenty six families attended the programme.

STAFF WELFARE ASSOCIATION

Razuca 2014

Rajagiri Staff Welfare Association organized a Football shoot out competition (Razuca 2014) for all the staff of Kalamassery campus on 7/7/2014 at the college basket ball ground.



Karkkidaka Kanji Distribution Programme and Class on "Rainy Season Precautionary measures during the monsoon"

Rajagiri Staff Welfare Association organized a Karkkidaka kanji-sadya distribution programme and Class on "Rainy Season Precautionary measures during the monsoon" on 22 to 24th July 2014 at the Facility centre Hall, Hill campus.



Onam Celebration -2014

The Rajagiri Staff Welfare Association celebrated Onam on Tuesday, 26th August 2014, in which Fr. Dr.Jose Cletus Plackal, Provincial delivered the onam message. Competitions such as pookkalam, Onam song, onam fashion show, onakkali, onam surprise dance event, Malayali Maran and Malayali manga were organised along with Outdoor games like Uriyadi, musical chair, spoon race, Tug of war etc.



In connection with the Onam Celebration, Rajagiri staff Welfare Association distributed 21 onakkit for deserving staff from both the campuses on 5th September 2014. The kit, each weighing 9.3 kg, included 21 provisional items. Dr.Mary Venus Joseph, Dean and Administrator inaugurated the programme



On 26th Sep 2014, in connection with the Onam Celebrations, Rajagiri Staff Welfare Association arranged the distribution of Home appliances to the staff members through Soft Loan facility. Around 20 items of Home Appliances products were selected from leading brands and were supplied at company price (special Institutional discount Price). Dr. Mary Venus Joseph, Dean and Administrator inaugurated the distribution. Around 45 staff members benefited.



FACULTYACHIEVEMENT

Ms. Bindiya M Varghese was awarded doctoral degree in Computer Science by Dean of Faculty of Technology, CUSAT on 25th July 2014. She has been appointed as the Head of the department, Dept.of Computer Science