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BLESSING OF NEW CARMEL BLOCK, FR. MOSES LIBRARY AND RAJAGIRI CHRIST ACADEMY

The blessing and inauguration of the Carmel Block and Fr. Moses Library in the new Block was held on Wednesday 8th December 2016. The foundation stone for the Rajagiri Christ Academy (to be started at Assam) was also blessed during the occasion by His Excellency Dr. Fr. Antony Kariyil, Bishop of Mandya and former Director of Rajagiri Institutions. Provincial & Manager of Sacred Heart Province Rev. Fr. Cletus Plackal and Director of Rajagiri Institutions Rev. Fr. Jose Alex CMI were also present during the occasion.



RAJAGIRI VALLEY CAMPUS

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

ACBSP International Accreditation

Accreditation Council for Business School and Programmes Team visited RCBS from 2nd to 5th October 2016. The team members were Dr. Doug Gilbert from University of Phoenix, Arizona, U.S, Dr. Amit Sareen, Professor, Apeejay School of Management, New Delhi and Dr. Biswajeet Pattanayak, Director, Asian School of Business and Management, Bhubaneshwar. Subsequent to their visit, confirmation has been received regarding accreditation of MBA, MHRM & PGDM programmes.



National Workshop on Qualitative Research Methods

One Day National Workshop on Qualitative Research Methods was organized on October 15, 2016. The resource person was Dr. Aby K Abraham, Director, Asian School of Business, Trivandrum.



Rajagiri National Business Quiz

The Grand Finale of the seventh edition of Rajagiri National Business Quiz was held on October 24, 2016 at the RCBS Campus. 894 teams from the Student and the Corporate category participated. Hrishikesh Varma & Venkatesh Srinivasan – Nexus Consulting (Bangalore) were the grand prize winners in the Corporate category. Mr. Mitesh Agarwal, Vice President Sales & CTO, Oracle India was the Quiz Master.



Inflore 2016

Rajagiri Centre for Business Studies conducted its two day INFLORE management fest on 28th and 29th of October 2016. This year the theme was 'that 90's magic'. 1140 participants from different states of India participated in the event.



Panel Discussion

Panel Discussion on “India on a Global Fulcrum – Celebrating 25 years of Globalisation” was organised on November 14, 2016. The members were Dr. Sunil Puliyaokot, (Moderator)- Associate Proffer, Panelist 1: Dr. V K Vijayakumar- former Head of Economics Department at Sree Krishna College, Guruvayur, Panelist 2: Mr. Prasad K Panicker - ED, Kochi Refinery



Finance FDP

Finance Faculty Development Programme on “Developing and Delivering Finance Courses with a Global Outlook” by Prof. Jim Demello Chair of Department of Finance and Commercial Law and Professor of Finance Western Michigan University, USA was held on 24 November 2016.



Social Sensitivity Campaign

LO Champion initiative - Social Sensitivity: An Awareness and Cessation Campaign on "Anti Tobacco and Tobacco Products" was conducted for students by few eminent doctors from Lakeshore Hospital on 6th December, 2016.



Lectures

- Special lecture on Global Outlook "Pre-liberalization Vs. After liberalization in India: policy, life and feeling" was organized on November 3, 2016. The speaker was Prof. Hansang Lee, PhD, Professor, Youngsan University, India Business Department, Korea.



- Rajagiri - in Pursuit of Excellence Lecture was held on December 6, 2016 in RBS Auditorium. Dr. John M Dunn, President, Western Michigan University, USA was our guest.



- A lecture session was conducted by Mr. Salim Gangadharan, Non-Executive Chairman, South Indian Bank on 20th December 2016.



RBS Chapel Blessing

RBS Chapel blessing ceremony was held on December 13, 2016 by our Director Rev. Fr. Jose Alex Oruthayappally.



Culturals.....

Korean Musical Night

KYUNG HWA YOU & World Music Ensemble E-DO, Korean Musical Night on October 17, 2016 in association with InKo Centre



Music by the renowned Pandit Vishwa Mohan Bhatt, the Grammy award winner and the creator of Mohan Veena on 24th of October 2016 in association with SPIC MACAY



RAJAGIRI HILLS CAMPUS

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

- **No Horn day - knock the door campaign**

Rajagiri in collaboration with IMA observed “No Horn Day” on 1st December 2016. The event got off to a start with a flash mob by students of Rajagiri College of Social Sciences. “Horn Not Ok Please” stickers were handed over to the regional transport officer Sanjay Tiwari. These stickers were pasted on



newly registered vehicles as well as the vehicles coming for transfer at RTO office. Besides, these stickers will also be handed over to driving schools and two and four wheeler showroom owners to get them pasted on the vehicles.

- **A Cancer Awareness Programme (CAP@ Campus)** was organized by Sargakshetra in Collaboration with Rajagiri College of Social Sciences on 15th December 2016.



SCHOOL OF COMMERCE

- **Inter Collegiate Basket Ball Tournament- “Final Four”**

As a part of promotion of Splendore 2K16, RCSS Kalamassery instituted and organised Rev. Fr. Moses Ever-rolling Trophy Inter Collegiate Basketball tournament-“Final Four” on 23rd and 24th November 2016. St. Albert's college Ernakulam, BMC Thrikkakkara, St. Pauls College Kalamassery and RCSS, Kalamassery participated. St. Alberts College won the trophy with RCSS as Runners up

- **Commerce Association Inauguration**

The inauguration of the Association of Commerce Students of Rajagiri (ACSR) was held on 13th December

2016. The function was inaugurated by Mr. K.K.Achankunj (Former Joint Director of MPEDA). The student representatives of ACSR were sworn in to their respective designations, in the presence of the Head of the Department. Mrs. Riya Mary, Mrs. Mamatha Varier, Mrs. Neethu Varghese and Mr.Mahesh are ACSR staff coordinators

- **Value Add On Week**

Value Add on Week was conducted from 5th to 9th December 2016 for the second semester B.Com and BBA students. The sessions were led by CA Vivek Govind, Mr.Abraham Baby and Mr. Joy Edayanal.



RAJAGIRI CENTRE FOR BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCE AND RESEARCH (RCBSR)

An In House Seminar on 'Psychology of Gambling, Alcohol Addiction And Drug Addiction' was conducted on 14th October 2016. The Resource Persons were Dr.Sanju George, Psychiatrist, Rajagiri Hospital, Prof. Annie Sebastian, Professor, RCBSR



International Conference on the theme 'Adlerian Psychology and Educational Improvement' was organized on 21st October 2016. The Chief Resource Person for the Conference was Dr. John Carrey, Professor, University of Massachusetts.



Inauguration of the Post Graduate Program in RCBSR was on 16th November 2016. The Dean, Rev. Fr. Dr. Varghese K Varghese officially inaugurated the program and welcomed the first batch of MSc Clinical Psychology.

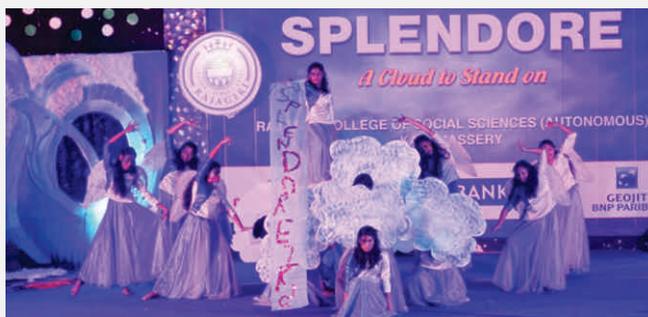
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- MSW students won the first runner up position in the Social Work students' Meet- Samanwaya '16.
- Ms. Benila (MSW I year) student won First Prize in Essay Writing Competition organised by Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers(KAPS)
- Students of Semester 4 MCA bagged the overall championship in the IT Fest (Samyuktha 16) conducted by SAINTGITS College Kottayam on 18 and 19 Nov 2016 with a Total prize money worth Rs. 30,000/-



SPLENDORE 2K16 – Inter-School & Intercollegiate fest

The under graduate departments of RCSS, Kalamassery organised an All Kerala Inter College and Inter School fest on 29th and 30th November 2016. The theme of the fest was 'A Cloud to Stand On.' The Inter School fest was inaugurated by Rev. Dr. Cletus Plackal CMI Provincial, SH Province Kochi and Mr. Madhu Balakrishnan, playback singer. Rajagiri Public school was the overall champion. The inter college fest was inaugurated by Mr.Tini Tom, Cine Artist. Sacred heart College, Thevera won the overall championship. 16 schools and 21 colleges across Kerala participated in the event.



INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

Rajagiri Faculty Overseas Exchange Programme

- Dr. Anish K.R, Head, Department of Social Work, visited Finland and Australia. Dr. Anish presented papers in World Federation for Mental Health International Conference 2016, Australia and Symposium on Building Networks and Frameworks for Global Social Work at University of Eastern Finland. Dr. Anish also handled a session for students on Engagement in Counseling at Australian Catholic University



- Prof. Angela Susan Mathew had been to WFI School of Management, Germany; Vives University College, Belgium; Artevelde University College, Belgium and Catholic University of Lille, France during the month of November 2016



International delegates to Rajagiri

Dr. Philip Laird and Mr. Jonathan Michael	Trinity Western University Canada	6/10/2016
Dr. Nevan A Fisher.	Associate Vice President for Global Programmes & Executive Director of the Center for International Education	29/10 - 2/11/2016
Dr. Sara Varhus	VP of Academic Affairs.	
Dr. Brigid Noonan	Dean of the School of Health and Human Affairs. Nazareth College of Rochester USA	
Dr. Jim P Demello	Western Washington University USA	22-25/11/2016
Dr. Satish Deshpande	Western Washington University USA	1-7/12/2016
Dr. John Dunn	Western Washington University USA	5-7/11/2016
Dr. Wolfgang	Western Washington University USA	

Student Intern at Rajagiri

Ms. Miriam Mersch, student intern from FHWS-Wurzburg, joined BSW programme for a semester from November 2016 to February 2017.



Inauguration @ JC Peace Foundation

New Child Sponsorship Programme was inaugurated on 19th November, 2016 at JC Peace Foundation, Pathanamthitta, a partnering institution of outREACH. The event was inaugurated by Shri. Chittayam Gopakumar, MLA, Adoor.



RAJAGIRI COLLEGE UNION

The College Union for the year 2016-2017 was inaugurated on ... December 2016. The famous ad film maker, actor and screenwriter, Sijoy Varghese was the Chief Guest for the inauguration



Child Rights Week Observance

Child Rights Week was observed at 30 outREACH sponsorship centers of Ernakulam, Palakkad and Thrissur Districts and 1268 students participated. CHILDLINE Malappuram Support of RAJAGIRI outREACH organized *Childline Se Dosthi* campaign for around 6000 children in 15 educational institutions and public places of Malappuram District from 14th to 21st November, 2016.



RAJAGIRI LIVE LABS

Rajagiri outREACH

Child Sponsorship Programme - Sponsorship Distribution.

The Distribution of sponsorship from Kinder for Kinder, Switzerland for 100 Higher Secondary tribal children of Attapadi was held at ASSO, Attapadi on 3rd November, 2016.

Children's Grama Sabha

With the support of UNICEF, a Children's Grama Sabha was organized at Nedumbassery Grama Panchayath. It is for the first time a Panchayath has taken initiative for conducting children's Grama Sabha at ward level with a participation of 1670 children of 19 wards



Tree Sapling Distribution

As part of the Environment Protection activity, Jackfruit Tree Saplings were distributed for 270 children on 19th November, 2016 in association with Geojit BNP Paribas Ltd. at Pothanikkad and Painghottur area.



Community Health

International Day of Older Persons

Observance of 'International Day of Older Persons' was held in a period between 1st October to 5th November, 2016. The programme titled as 'Vayovandanam' was held in 14 centers at different areas of Ernakulam, Thrissur, Kozhikode and Palakkad Districts for elderly and 880 persons participated.



World Aids Day Celebration

The Suraksha Migrant Project implemented by outREACH has observed World Aids Day on 01st of December, 2016 at Perumbavoor. Migrants at Perumbavoor were pinned red ribbon on that day.



Environment Initiatives

Road Safety Awareness

The World Day of Remembrance of the victims of road accidents was observed on the 3rd Sunday of November this year in association with Citizen consumer and civic Action Group (CAG), Chennai, Shubhayatra-to make our road safe campaign of Kerala Police Dept. RAJAGIRI outREACH, Rotary Club of Kalamassery, St. Teresa's College, St. Albert's College, Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, commemorated the day with the families and friends of the victims.



Entrepreneurship Initiatives

K. P. Paul Foundation @ 7th Phase

Official launch of the 7th phase of CSR initiatives under K. P. Paul Foundation was held on 26th of October, 2016. 20 new beneficiaries were added to the existing beneficiaries and project expanded to 165 beneficiaries.

RAJAGIRI RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Seminar on Pulses – the Protein Food

As part of the International Year of Pulses -2016, the Research Institute and the Kerala State Council for Science Technology, and Environment (KSCSTE), has jointly organized a One day seminar on 'Pulses – the Protein Food' for the women on 16th November 2016 at Municipal Town Hall, Kalamassery. Mrs. Sreelekha B.R, Agricultural Officer, Puthenvelikkara, Mrs. Mary John, Principal, MLTC, RCSS, Mrs. Asha Zacharia, Nutrition Specialist, MLTC, RCSS, were the resource persons who led the technical sessions.



Food Fests.....Pulses for Good Health

With the aim of promoting pulses to include food items with pulses in the daily diets of people, the Research Institute in association with the Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment (KSCSTE), Govt. of Kerala, have organised two Food Fests on the theme 'Pulses for Good Health' among the college students and the general public. Dr. M.D Baby, HOD, Dept. of Library Science, RCSS, inaugurated the first Food Fest conducted at Rajagiri College of Social Sciences on 14th November 2016 for the student community. The second programme for the general public held at Chavara Cultural Centre, Ernakulam on 19th December 2016, was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Roby Kannanchira, Director, Chavara Cultural Centre. Prizes were distributed to the teams who won the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Positions.



Training on Road Safety for TT Crew of BPCL

With the objective of contributing to the efforts of the Government in tackling the issue of road safety, the Research Institute has organized a one day training programme on 'Motor Vehicle Act and Defensive Driving' for the Tank Truck Crew of Bharath Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (BPCL) on 28th October 2016 at BPCL Installation, Irumpanam. Shri. Ravunnikutty, Senior Manager, Operations, BPCL, inaugurated the programme wherein Shri. Dileep Kumar Vehicle Inspector, Ernakulam handled the technical sessions on Road Safety for the 35 participants.



District Level Essay Competitions for Students

The Research Institute in association with the KSCSTE, Govt. of Kerala has organised two Essay Competitions for 1) High School Students on 18th November 2016 and 2) College Students on 25th November 2016 at Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kalamassery. Smt. Asha Zacharia, Nutrition Specialist, MLTC, RCSS and Dr. Nisha Vikraman, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Home Science, St. Theresa's College, respectively were the resource persons for the essay completions held separately for the high school and college students. Around 30 students each from the various private and public schools in Ernakulam district participated in the

competitions. The aim of the programme was to inculcate awareness among the students on the role of science in the health sector and the importance of 'International Year of Pulses 2016'.



India International Science Festival 2016 - NGO Conclave

Dr.Celine Sunny represented the Research Institute – one of the NGOs selected from Kerala to participate in the 2nd India International Science Festival (IISF-2016), organized by the Ministry of Science and Technology, Ministry of Earth Sciences & Vijnana Bharati (VIBHA) in association with the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) from 7-11 December 2016 at National Physical Laboratory (NPL), New Delhi. The theme of the festival was "Science for the Masses". The conclave was aimed to provide a platform for NGOs who have been working in the field of Science and Technology, playing a vital role in rural community development besides government interventions in India. It also provided an opportunity for NGO's for networking, exchange of ideas on the issue of taking Science and Technology to the rural masses.



EMPANELLED TRAINING INSTITUTION (ETI) FOR NSS (Empanelled by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India)

The Empanelled Training Institution organized six Orientation Courses and trained 196 Programme Officers during the period from October to December 2016



STATE ADOPTION RESOURCE AGENCY (SARA) - KERALA

Awareness Classes To Various Groups

As part of adoption awareness programme and also with the aim of spreading the right message on legal adoption awareness classes on JJ Act, Adoption, Foster Care and Sponsorship was taken for the M.phil students of Rajagiri on 19th October 2016 and for the MSW students from St.Alberts College,Ernakulam on 16th November 2016.

RAJAGIRI STAFF WELFARE ASSOCIATION

Free Mobile Blood Checkup

Rajagiri Staff Welfare Association (RSWA) in association with MAGICS NGO conducted a Free Mobile Medical Checkup Camp exclusively for RCBS Staff on 21st October 2016 from 9.30 am to 2pm.



FACULTY ACHIEVEMENT

Prof. Veeva Mathew has been awarded PhD on the topic "Brand Experience and True Brand Loyalty: An Enquiry into Product and Customer dimensions" by CUSAT on 21st of October.

