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RAJAGIRI HIGHLIGHTS

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INSTITUTIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- Rajagiri College of Social Sciences has been awarded with the “OUTSTANDING ACHIEVER AWARD 2021” for Education Leadership in BBA Education.
- Rajagiri College of Social Sciences (Autonomous) has been awarded Global Excellence Award - Regional Silver (Asia Pacific) for CIMA Prize- winner award, top student in Operational Case Study Examination in November 2020.

IQAC INITIATIVES

IQAC Meeting

The first quarter of the IQAC meeting was conducted on October 6, 2021 at the Hill campus. Dr. Binoy Joseph, the Principal, chaired and Dr Lizy P.J coordinator presided over the meeting.



Staff Development Training Programme for Non-Teaching Staff

IQAC organized a staff development training programme for the non-teaching staff on December 11, 2021 at Hill campus. The sessions were taken by Mr. Rajeev S. R Operations Head, Rajagiri Centre for Skill Development and Mr. Alex Mathew, Regional Manager & Chief Trainer (South India) of T-horizon

on the topics ‘Motivation and Self Esteem’ and ‘Right Attitude towards Right Life’.



Training workshop on Photography

IQAC conducted a staff development workshop on photography for non-teaching staff on December 7, 2021 at Hill Campus. Dr. Binoy Joseph, Principal inaugurated and Mr. Jordin Mathew, Executive audio-video content creator, RCSS carried out the training.



HILL CAMPUS

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

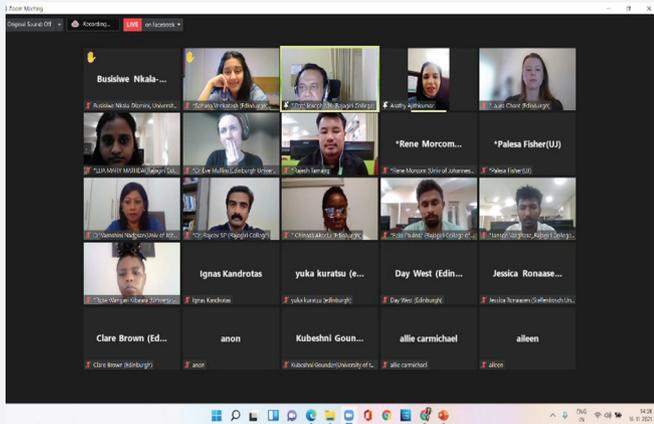
Virtual International Workshop on “Supervision Framework in International Field Education: An Initiative of the International Project Supported by IASSW”

The Department organized a Virtual International Workshop on “Supervision Framework in International Field Education: An Initiative of the International Project Supported by IASSW” on October 18, 2021. The workshop had 75 participants representing Israel, Australia and Rajagiri College of Social Sciences.



Virtual Conference on International Social Work Engagements in Communities

Virtual Conference on International Social Work Engagements in Communities was jointly organised by the Department of Social Work (RCS), University of Johannesburg (South Africa) and the University of Edinburgh (UK) on November 16, 2021.



Observation of International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

A cycle rally was conducted by the Women and Child Department Ernakulam in association with Rajagiri College and Kochi Metro on November 25, 2021.



Observation of World AIDS Day

In association with Kerala State AIDS Control Society and SURAKSHA Project the department observed the 'World AIDS' day with a flash mob on the theme "End Inequalities, End AIDS" on November 30, 2021 at South Railway Station, Ernakulam.

Project Intellectually Disabled Empowerment and Livelihood (IDEAL)

Parthana Foundation in collaboration with the Department of Social Work, launched a livelihood project titled 'Intellectually Disabled Empowerment and Livelihood (IDEAL)' on December 3, 2021. The project was launched with an online seminar on 'Diversity and Inclusion of Differently-abled in Kerala'.



Participation in harvest festivals

The first year MSW students participated in the Pokkali Harvest Festival 2021 conducted in Pizhala, Kadamakkudy on October 28, 2021. The second and third year BSW students participated in the 20th Harvest festival (തൃശ്ശൂർ 2021) at Kanjoor Panchayath on December 8, 2021.



DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Faculty Development Programme on “Advanced Data Analysis using R”

Guru Angad Dev Teaching Learning Center (GAD-TLC), Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Khalsa College, University of Delhi in collaboration with IQAC and Department of Computer Science, organized the One Week Online Faculty Development Programme on “Advanced Data Analysis using R” from October 19 to 25, 2021.

RCSS

Guru Angad Dev Teaching Learning Centre,
SGTB Khalsa College,
University of Delhi (MoE - under the scheme of PMMNMTT)

In collaboration with
IQAC & Department of Computer Science
Rajagiri College of Social Sciences (Autonomous)

ONE WEEK NATIONAL ONLINE
FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
ON

**ADVANCED DATA ANALYSIS
USING R**

Oct 19 - Oct 25

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Fulfills requirements as per CAS of UGC for promotion requirements of the teachers

Mr. Bostin Robins, J.
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Coverisight, Bangalore

Dr. Dhaval Maheta
Assistant Professor, DBM,
Veer Narmad
South Gujarat University

Dr. Bindu Krishnan
Professor & Head,
Dept. of Data Science,
Jain University, Kochi, Kerala

Prof. Sunu Mary Abraham
Assistant Professor,
Dept. of Computer Science,
Rajagiri College of Social Sciences
(Autonomous), Kerala

Faculty Development Programme on Leadership Excellence

An AICTE Training and Learning (ATAL) academy sponsored one-week faculty development programme on ‘Leadership Excellence’ was conducted from November 8 to 11, 2021. 80 participants from more than 15 states of the country attended the FDP. Mr. Anand Narayanan, Singer, Television Anchor; Mr. Remesh Narayanan, Art of Living faculty member; Mr. Jyothish Madavan, Yoga Trainer were the resource persons.

DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

National Library week

The Department and Fr Moses Library in collaboration with NDLI Club conducted an inter-departmental quiz competition for the students to commemorate the National Library Week on November 23, 2021.

Workshop on Library Automation software KOHA

A Two Day National Workshop on ‘Library Automation and Open Source Library Management Software, Koha’ organized jointly by the Dept. of Library & Information Science (DLIS)

and Fr. Moses Library, RCSS, Kalamassery, in collaboration with the Academic Library Association on November 26 and 27 2021. Dr. Devika Pillai, Director of Research, Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies inaugurated the Workshop.



Library Consultancy Programme

The department took up a consultancy programme of setting up the library of Chavara Culture Centre. The inaugural ceremony was presided by the Honorable Governor of Kerala, Dr. Arif Mohamad Khan on December 3, 2021. The team classified, categorised and automated the entire collection of library resources.



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Session on Interview Skills

The department organised a session on Interview Skills for second and third year B.Com Model II Finance and Taxation (ACCA) students on October 05, 2021. Ms. Sushma Uday Mahanthi (HR Professional) was the resource person.

PRAYAANA (A journey to human Excellence)

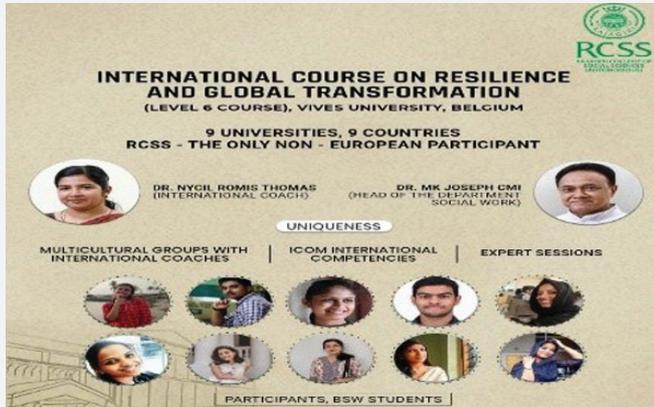
The department organised PRAYAANA (A journey to human excellence) for first semester students from December 9 to 11, 2021. Mr. Vijay Menon, HR trainer handled a session focused on providing deeper insights to the students about the quality of life.



INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC COLLABORATION

- Rajagiri College of Social Sciences is the only non-European participant among the 9 universities from 9 countries in the International Course on Resilience and Global Transformation (Level 6 course) held at Vives university, Belgium.

- Assistant professors Mr. Roshan Ravi and Fr. Angelo Baby participated in the Study in India Educational Fair organised by EdCIL in Nepal.



VALLEY CAMPUS

Workshop on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

A series of workshops in association with the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DESA / DSDG) for Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha was held. A new initiative was taken to reach the various UG colleges and conducted awareness sessions regarding SDG's. Dr. Abhilash G Nambudiri , Dr. Minimol M C , Dr. Simon Jacob C were the resource persons from the college.

AICTE Sponsored Impact Lecture Series Rajagiri Business School organized an AICTE Sponsored Impact Lecture Series on Emergent Strategy to Overcome the Pandemic Triggered Environmental Changes and Digital Transformation. Details as given below:

- Session 1 – Impact Lecture 01 was given by Mr Manoj Kumar, Director, Innovative Foods Limited on the topic A Case Study on Frozen Food Industry and Impact Lecture 02 was given by Mr Susheel Aswani Managing Partner, Aswani Lachmandas Group in A Case Study on B2C Food Suppliers held on October 5, 2021.
- Session 2 - Impact Lecture 01 was given by Mr Kris Nair CEO, Kawa Space on the topic Scope of Space Technology on Agriculture Industry and Impact Lecture 02 was given by Mr Jayakrishnan T, Founder & CEO ASIMOV Robotics in Scope of Robotic Process Automation held on October 19, 2021.



Rajagiri Basar – 4th & 5th Edition

The 4th & 5th editions of Rajagiri Basar were held from November 5 to 6, 2021 and December 21 to 22, 2021 respectively. Mrs. Gracy Thomas, CEO, Mahila Apparels Private Ltd inaugurated the programme.

Women Entrepreneurship

Women Entrepreneurship Fair was organized on November 5 and 6, 2021. Mrs. Gracy Thomas, CEO, Mahila Apparels Private Ltd and Mrs. Joice Mary Anthony Entrepreneur & Municipal Councillor, Muvattupuzha were the resource persons



Rajagiri Conference on Economics & Finance

The 3rd Edition of Rajagiri Conference on Economics and Finance was organized by RBS and RCSS on November 19, 2021. Prof Ashima Goel, Emeritus Professor, Indira Gandhi University of Development Research delivered the keynote address followed by an address by Prof Farhad. T. Hesary, Associate Professor of Economics, Tokeai University.

AICTE – UKIERI Workshop

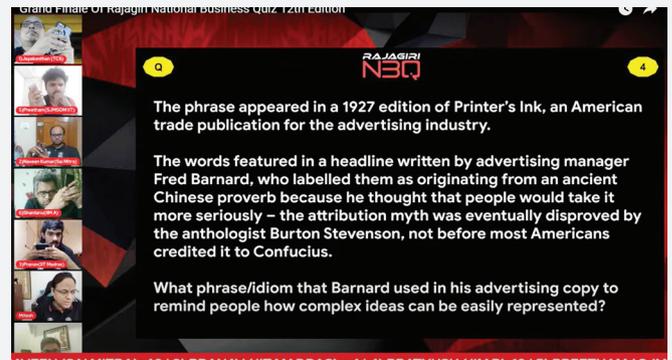
RCSS in collaboration with AICTE, UKIERI organized the Further Education Leadership & Management Workshop by TELDP Master Trainers from November 23 to 26, 2021. Dr Minimol M C was the faculty coordinator.

Operations & Systems Area Webinar

A webinar on International Regulations in Supply Chain Management was organized on December 8, 2021. The resource person was CDR Hector Poppen (Veteran) who was hosted by Prof. Shirley Rita Luiz.

Rajagiri National Business Quiz (RNBQ)

The Grand Finale of the 12th edition of Rajagiri NBQ was held on December 11, 2021. Mr. Mitesh Agarwal, CTO & Director, Google Cloud was the Quiz Master. There were more than 2400 participants across three preliminary rounds. Dr Angela Susan Mathew, Dr Krishnan Chandramohan and Prof Arun George were the faculty coordinators.



Faculty Achievements

Prof. Siby Jose has awarded Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in “Binary Economics: A Case study” from Assam Don Bosco University on December 31, 2021.

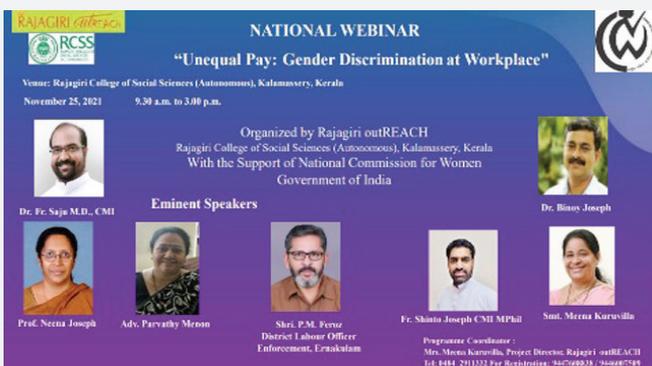


COLLEGE- COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENTS THROUGH “LIVE LABS”

RAJAGIRI OUTREACH

National Webinar on “Unequal Pay: Gender Discrimination at Workplace”

The National Webinar on “Unequal Pay: Gender Discrimination at Workplace” with the Support of the National Commission for Women, Govt of India, was conducted on November 25, 2021 with 96 participants. Shri. P.M. Feroz, District Labour Officer, Enforcement, Ernakulam delivered the inaugural address.



Back to School Programme for Sponsorship Children of Transcend, Kakkanad

An online session was conducted for the Sponsorship Children of Transcend on November 13, 2021 with the support of Rajagiri outREACH Internship. The session was named “Back to School”, in view of the reopening of schools.

Distribution of Higher Education Scholarship to Students and Scholarship to Students of COVID-19 Affected Families

Rajagiri outREACH had organized the Kinder for Kinder Higher Education Scholarship Distribution to 59 Students from COVID-19 affected families on November 6, 2021. The Chief Guest was Mr. Harold Nicholson, President, Korambadam Service Cooperative Bank Ltd., & Senior Manager, FACT.



Joint Disaster Need Assessment in Four Worst Flood Affected Districts in Kerala

Kerala State Disaster Management Authority in partnership with UNICEF, Sphere India and Inter Agency Group selected Fr. Shinto Joseph CMI, Asst Director, Mrs. Meena Kuruville, Project Director, Rajagiri outREACH, Dr. Sr. SuniRose, Asst Professor and Dr. Gigi George, Asst Professor, RCSS as Sectoral Experts in Child Protection and Education sector to conduct Joint Disaster Need Assessment on Social sector in worst flood-affected districts in Kottayam, Idukki, Pathanamthitta and Alappuzha for the year 2021.



Observation of International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction

International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction was observed on October 13, 2021 by organizing a Walk from Rajagiri, Kalamassery to HMT with the support of Internship Students (International) of Social Work Departments, Rajagiri College, K.E. College, Bharata Mata college and Indira Gandhi National Tribal University.



Plastic Free Community Campaign

Rajagiri outREACH had conducted a Plastic Free Community Campaign on October 18, 2021 with the support of internship students from RCSS, International Students, KE College, Santhigiri College of Social Science and Mount Carmel College. Rev. Fr. Shinto Joseph CMI, Assistant Director, RCSS flagged the walkathon from Rajagiri College Campus.

THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Examined De-addiction Treatment at Navachaythanya Sanjo Sadan De-addiction Centre

An team for the study on 'Evaluation of Integrated Rehabilitation Centres for Addicts (IRCA) in Kerala',

sponsored by the Social Justice Department, Govt. of Kerala, visited the Navachaythanya Sanjo Sadan De-addiction Centre, Pudukkad on October 21, 2021 to assess de-addiction treatment at the Grant in aid Centre.



De-Addiction Centre at Ernakulam Visited

The Institute conducted performance assessment of the Unity Group De-addiction Centre at Perumbavoor, Muvattupuzha on October 15, 2021 as part of its study on Evaluation of Integrated Rehabilitation Centres in Kerala, sponsored by Social Justice Department, Govt. of Kerala.



FAMILY COUNSELING CENTRE AND SERVICE PROVIDING CENTRE

Webinar on Mental Health and Parenting Issues during Pandemic

A session on 'Mental Health and Parenting Issues During the Pandemic' was organized October 14 2021. The session was led by Ms. Swetha K.R Seethayalam Psychologist (Homeo Hospital Wayanad).

Webinar Series on Mental Health among Children

A webinar series on Promotion on Child Mental Health was organized from October 22 to 27, 2021 on various topics such as screen addiction, self-esteem, stress management, good habits and awareness on POCSO and Juvenile Justice Act.

Webinar on Back to School

In collaboration with CHILDLINE Kochi, a webinar on Back to School, a session focused on the problems and solutions for children who are coming back to school after COVID19 was organised on November 11, 2021.

An awareness program on “DV Act and Govt Functionaries” An awareness program for the Asha workers and women members of Kalamassery LSG was organised on December 8, 2021 in association with Kalamassery Municipality sponsored by Women and Child Department. Adv. Rushda V M Legal Counsellor, SPC, Ms. Elsa, Counsellor, FCC, Ms. Rose Mary, Counsellor, FCC were the resource persons.



RAJAGIRI CENTRE FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT (RCSD)

Capacity Building Training for Middle Level functionaries of National Jal Jeevan Mission

The first batch of Capacity building training for Middle-Level Functionaries of the Kerala Water Authority was organised from October 20 to 23, 2021 and the second batch was from October 27 to 30, 2021. 82 participants attended the programme.

CHILDLINE, KOCHI- NODAL AGENCY

Child Beggary Drive in the City

CHILDLINE Kochi coordinated a child beggary drive on October 25, 2021 along with SJPU, KISMAT, MIRROR and Cochin Corporation. The drive was organized to control child begging.



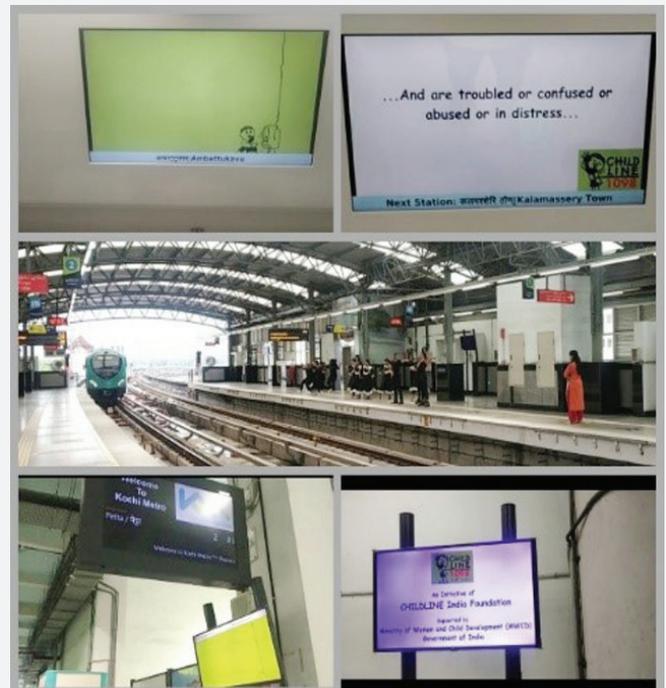
capacity-building programme for CHILDLINE team members

A capacity-building programme for CHILDLINE team members on Life Skills was held on October 30, 2021. Fr.Shinto Joseph CMI (Nodal Director) and Dr.Anish KR were the resource persons.



CHILDLINE se Dhosti Week

As a part of CHILDLINE se Dhosti Week, awareness videos were displayed on Metro trains and Metro stations. The video will be displayed from November 14 to 20, 2021 at metro stations and metro trains.



‘Aanavandiyil Oru Kutty Yathra’ in collaboration with KSRTC Department was also conducted in Ernakulam South KSRTC

Bus station which was flag offed by Mr. Thajudin Sahib (DTO KSRTC Ernakulam). 750 adults and 250 children were enriched with safe childhood awareness.



RAJAGIRI STAFF WELFARE ASSOCIATION

Joy Of Giving

Rajagiri Staff Welfare Association, NSS Unit of Rajagiri and GOONJ, NGO jointly organised a charity event, 'JOY OF GIVING'. Collected reusable used items and distributed to deserving people.

Christmas and New Year celebration

Christmas and New Year Celebration was held on December 22, 2021. Carol Song's competition was organized. Rev. Fr. Benny Nalkkara CMI, Provincial, Sacred Heart CMI Province and the Director Rev. Dr. Jose Kuriedath CMI, delivered the Christmas Messages.

