

C.S.I Thoothukudi – Nazareth Diocese
POPE’S COLLEGE, SAWYERPURAM
(Accredited with ‘A’ Grade by NAAC II Cycle)

ANNUAL REPORT

2022-2023

Our College provides educational opportunities to students from all sections of the society. In this year, nearly 1500 students pursued various courses in a total number of 11 under graduates, 8 postgraduates and three research departments and as many as 14 certificate courses, all streamlined under CBCS and LOCF System under autonomous system.

♣ As part of exercising Autonomous duties, the Board of Studies was conducted on 04.01.2023.

♣ **Student Induction cum Bridge Course:** Induction Programme and Bridge Course for First Year Students was conducted from 02nd to 04th August 2022 for 267 students.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES:

The Department of Economics, Physics and Chemistry has Research Centre in our College. A total of 25 Research Scholars are pursuing their doctoral research. During the year 2022-2023 the following Scholar was awarded with Ph.D Degree.

S.No	Name	Department	Supervisor	Date of Award
1.	R.Nandhini Asha	Chemistry	Dr.B. Ravindran Durai Nayagam	10/02/2023

Staff Members who received PhD:

- Mrs. R. Gnanam, Assistant Professor of Tamil was awarded PhD in September 2022.

- Mrs. R. Anto Pio Ezhil, Assistant Professor of Tamil was awarded PhD in November 2022.
- Mrs. E. Sopiya Ezhil, Assistant Professor of Tamil was awarded PhD in December 2022.
- Mrs. G. Helen Rajapushpam, Assistant Professor of Mathematics was awarded PhD in December 2022.

Awards:

- Dr. S. Henry Pandian, Associate Professor of Economics received the Lifetime Academic Achievement Award conferred by London Academy of Art Literature Associations, London.

Retirements

- Dr. R. Immanuel, Principal, Department of Economics retired from teaching service on 28.02.2023.
- Dr. J. Jebaraj Devadasan, Head of the Physics Department retired from teaching service on 28.02.2023.
- Dr. A. Wellington Francis Prabagar, Head of the Tamil Department retired from teaching service on 31.03.2023.
- Mr. Suresh, Lab Assistant retired from service on 30.11.2022.

IQAC (Internal Quality Assurance Cell)

The College has a dynamic Cell which ensures internal quality in all its endeavours. Based on the recommendations of NAAC, the IQAC monitors all quality-oriented initiatives in the college. The cell, constituted under the chairmanship of the principal and guidance of the coordinator carries out full-fledged workings to improve various systems pertinent to the development of the college. To lift the morale of the teaching fraternity, a Staff Enrichment Programme is held at the beginning of every year. The Cell submits an annual report to the UGC enumerating the curricular developments of the College every year.

AISHE

As per the demands of the Ministry of Higher Education, the College submits the AISHE report in its portal annually.

NIRF

Our college has participated in the NIRF Ranking for the year 2022-23 and uploaded the data in the NIRF Portal as per the requirements of UGC and MHRD.

SCHOLARSHIPS/FREESHIPS

A total of 501 students were provided governmental Scholarships and Freeships which amounts to a sum of Rs.15, 89,320.

MOOC ONLINE COURSES

To provide academic flexibility, self-paced learning and updated trends in education, the College introduced online courses for Postgraduate students for which they are given credits in the curriculum.79 students enrolled in different MOOC courses offered by the Ministry of Education.

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES OF DEPARTMENTS

- One Day State Level Seminar was organized by the department of Economics on “Rural Non-Farm Employment and Indian Economy: Evidences, Issues and Challenges” in which Dr.J. Sacratees of MS University and Dr. M. Neela Devi from V.O.C. College, Tuticorin were the Resource Persons.
- One Day State Level Workshop was hosted by the department of Economics on “Application of Econometrics in Research” which was presided over by Dr. R. Mariappan, Assistant Professor of Econometrics, University of Madras on 10.04.2023.

- Christmasieng, a Quiz Bowl Competition was conducted by Department of English.
- PENLITA: An Intra Departmental Competition Series was hosted from 27.03.2023 to 10.04.2023. by English department
- Dr.A.Wellington Francis Prabahar, Associate Professor of Tamil, Pope's College addressed 250 students on இயற்கையோடு ஏய்ந்த பழந்தமிழர் வாழ்கை in Muthamil Manram.
- Tamil Department conducted a Seminar on கிறிஸ்தவ இலக்கியம் was conducted on 25.04.2023. Speakers include Dr. P. Shanthi & Mr. S. Ebanesar.
- Conference titled "Soar up High-Learn, Thrive and Fly" was hosted by Commerce Department on 12.04.2023. The Resource Persons were Mr. K. Ponpandi Inbarasu, Chartered Accountant, Thoothukudi; Mr. R. Subash Renganathan, Chartered Accountant, Chennai; Mr. S. John Kennedy, CA., Deputy Superintendent of Police, Chennai and Ms. P. Gracelin, Chartered Accountant, Thoothukudi.
- Department of Chemistry conducted a Guest Lecture on "Iarkaiodu Isaintha Pazhanthamizhar Vazhkai" by Dr.A.Wellington Francis Prabahar, Associate Professor of Tamil, Pope's College on 17.09.2022.
- One Day Seminar was conducted on 27.03.2023 on "Chemistry of Quantum Mechanics, Energy and Sustainable Environment." Dr. S. Nagarajan, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, MS University, Tirunelveli and Dr. R. Subramanian Assistant Professor of Chemistry, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Chennai were the Resource Persons.
- IT Department conducted a Life Skill Programme on "Cultivating Characteristics" on 24.08.2022 in which Mr. Christiyan and Mrs. C. Jeyanthi Christiyan, Campus Crusade for Christ were the Guest Speakers.
- Aa awareness Programme "IT Career Opportunities and Challenges" was conducted on 23.09.2022. Mr. A. Vasantha Kumar, Executive Director, Hapi Apps, Thoothukudi delivered a talk to 65 students.

- A Guest Lecture was given by Mr. S. Ezra Vethamani, Assistant Professor of SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Chennai on “Internet of Behaviors (IoT)” on 30.09.2022.
- A one Day Training Programme was conducted by IT Department on “Web Application Development using Java” on 10.02.2023. Ms. AA. Abinaya, Freelancer & Entrepreneur was the Trainer for the event.
- IT Department hosted an Online Quiz Competition for HSC Students “Fundamentals of Computers (PITQ’23)” from 16.02.2022 to 21.02.2023 in which 45 school students contested.
- Mathematics Department organised a Counselling Programme for their students on 20.01.2023. Counsellors Mr.Jaykar, Mrs. Rani Jaykar, Mr.Gareth (U.S.A) and Mr. Maloe Bolten (U.S.A) spoke on “How to know God without being Religious.”
- Special Counselling Programme was conducted by Mathematics Department on 20.04.2023. Mr.Alwin Jacob and Mrs. Deborah Arul Golda spoke to 57 students on “Counselling for Todays problem”
- One-day Seminar titled “Nuclear Energy for Sustainable Development of India and a Solution to Climatic Change” was conducted by Physics Department on 30.08.2022 in which Dr. KK. B. Joshi, KKNPP addressed 186 students.
- Sensitization Programme on UGC – CSIR NET was conducted by Physics Department on 21.01.2023 by Mr. V. Krishna Kumar and Mr. C. Joseph Prabhagar.
- Physics Department distributed prizes for Prof.Johnson Aruldoss memorial Essay contest on 27.04.2023 by Dr. Surendran Ponratnam and Mrs. Shobana Joyceson.
- BIONEWS Magazine was released on 07.06.2022. by the department of Zoology.
- Counselling Programme was conducted for Zoology Department Students on 22.09.2022 by Mrs. Roselin from Youth Welfare Department, CSI Thoothukudi Nazareth Diocese.
- Department of Zoology conducted a Motivational Programme on Competitive Exams for students on 04.01.2023. Talk was given by alumni Mr. M. Krishnamoorthy, Research Scholar of The American College, Madurai. & Junior Research Fellow, CSIR

- Spawn Production and Mushroom Cultivation Training Programme was conducted for 18 students on 24.01.2023.
- The Seminar titled “Emerging Trends in Biotechnology towards Environmental Sustainability-ETBTES 2023” was organised for 110 participants on 24.02.2023. Professors from MS University Dr. K. Murugan and Dr. A. Selvam were the Resource Persons.
- Guest Lecture was delivered by Dr.A.Wellington Francis Prabahar, Associate Professor of Tamil, Pope’s College on தமிழ் இலக்கியமும் விளங்கியலும் on 27.03.2023 for 110 students.

Publications

Nearly 72 Research Articles were published by staff of Pope’s College in Research Platforms like Scopus, Web of Science and International Peer-Reviewed Journals during the year 2022-2023.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Sports and Games

Apart from academic activities, our students have excellent records in sports and games meets held at different levels in various places.

❖ **Inter University Level (University Blue):** V. Prakash of III B.Com (2021-2022) participated in the inter-university Volleyball at SRM University, Chennai from 18.12.2021 to 23.12.2021.

- Murugan P of III B. Com has secured III Prize in Boxing 54 -57 kg Tamil Nadu State Senior Men, conducted at Sethu Institute of Technology, Virudhunagar from 17.02.2023 - 19.02.2023
- G. Balaji of III Economics secured four gold medals and one silver medal in Swimming in CM Trophy, organized at Tharuvai Stadium, Thoothukudion 21.02.2023.
- The following students are the winners of various sports events of CM Trophy held at Tharuvai Stadium, Thoothukudi on 21.02.2023.

- ❖ K. Muruganantham of III B. Com has secured one Gold and three silver medals in Swimming.
 - ❖ M. Swetha- III B.Com S. Pathira Kali- III Eng R. Aruna Malathi- II Eco S. Siva Bala- III B.Com A. Vinothini- II Tam M. Sivapriya- III Maths were runners in volley ball.
 - ❖ P. Sudhakar-I M.A. Eco has secured III Prize in Shotput.
 - ❖ P. Sudhakar-I M.A. Economics has secured first prize in Discuss Throw.
 - ❖ S. Pathira Kali- III Eng has secured III Prize in Long Jump.
- Murugan P - II B. Com has secured I Prize in Boxing 54 kg organized at National Boxing- Senior Men, Nehru Stadium, Chennai from 27.07.2022 to 29.07.2022.
 - I.Regina of I M.A Eng secured first prize in Silambam- Singles 63 kg National Silambam, Chogule Sports College, Goa from 02.10.2022-05.10.2022.
 - S. Sudalai@Vinoth-II Physics bagged III Prize in Judo 81 kg hosted by Tamil Nadu Judo, Tamil Nadu Judo Association, Kongu Nadu Institution, Trichy on 07.10.22 & 08.10.2022.
 - Our students secured the following prizes in various sports events in the District Level Athletics Meet, Thoothukudi on 10.09.2022 & 11.09.2022.
 - S. Pathira Kali- III B.A English secured II prize in 4x100 Mts. Relay in District Level Athletics Meet, Thoothukudi on 10.09.2022 and 11.09.2022.
 - J.Jebasty-II Zoo has secured II prize in High Jump and third prize in Hurdles.
 - N. Ezhil Arasi of II Eco secured III prize in Long Jump and II Prize in 4x100 Mts. Relay.
 - R. Aruna Malathi of II Eco secured II prize in 4x100 Mts. Relay.
 - A. Vinothini of II Tamil secured II prize in 4x100 Mts. Relay.
 - N. Mohammed Newsath secured III prize in Javelin.

NSS Activities

- A Workshop on Aadhar Card Linkage with Voter ID Card was conducted in the presence of S. Ramachandran, Deputy Thasildar on 24.08.2022.

- Orientation Programme was organized by NSS on 16.09.2022 in which Dr. A. Devaraj from Kamaraj College, Thoothukudi interacted with 200 students.
- National NSS Day was celebrated with Mrs. Subachini Wilson, Advocate on 23.09.2022.
- Poster Making and Singing Competition was conducted on the theme “My Vote is My Right” on 29.09.2022 as part of creating awareness on national duties.
- An Awareness Programme on Plastic Free Day was conducted on 16.11.2022.
- National Youth Day & Samathuva Pongal were celebrated on 13.01.2023. Mrs. J. Victoria, St. Mary’s School, Sawyerpuram was the Chief Guest.
- Aadhaar Card Correction & Updation Camp was undertaken by NSS units with the support of Mr. M. Ganesan & Mrs. R. Amala, Eral Post Office on 23.01.2023.
- National Voters Day was celebrated on 25.01.2023 in the presence of Mr. K. Kannan & Mr. S. Ramachandran, Election Deputy Tahsildar.
- NSS units hosted the Students Exposure Visit to Pope’s College under the Naan Mudhalvan Scheme on 27.02.2023. Around 350 Twelfth Standard School Students visited our College.
- A Short Film was screened by NSS on 20.04.2023.

NCC Navy Wing Activities

- NCC Day 2023 was observed on 02.06.2022.
- Indian Army Day was observed by NCC & YRC on 30.01.2023 in which Lt. G. Senthil Kumaran, Assistant Professor, Government Arts College, Kovilpatti addressed 60 participants.
- Cadet G. Balaji – III B.A Economics and N. Nanthini – III BA Economics has been CATC in Firing camp NTA Idayapatti, Madurai from 10th to 19th April 2022.
- Cadets G. Balaji – III B.A Economics, P. Periya Durai – III B.Sc Zoology, S. Sivapratheesh – III BSc Physics and R. Ramesh – III BA Economics participated IUC-NSC Boat Pulling at Puducherry from 2nd to 9th August 2022 and secured –I -Place.
- Cadet P. Bevin – II B.A Economics RDC-IUC RDC-IGC NTA at Idayapatti, Madurai from 15th -24th July 2022 NTA Idayapatti, Madurai, 25th Sept – 02nd Oct-22.

- Cadet L.Manikandan – II BSc Maths RDC-IUC IUC-Training-II NTA Idayapatti, Madurai,15th-24th July 2022 NTA Idayapatti, Madurai, 06thto 13th Sept 2022.
- Cadets K.Jeyachandran –III BSc Maths, R. Subbaiah – III BA Economics, S. Sivapratheesh –III BSc Physics and R. Ramesh- III BA Economics attended IUC -NSC IUC-Training at Puducherry from 2nd to 9th August 2022.
- Cadet K. Muruganantham – III BCom attended Sea Attachment Camp INS Magar, Ernakulam Town , Kerala, 03-13 Jul 2022.
- Cadet K.Sathish Kumar – III BSc Zoology attended EBSB CAMP PRAYAGRAJ UNDER NCC DTE, Uttar Pradesh from 24th Aug to 4th Sep 2022.

YRC Activities

- World Environmental Health Day was celebrated on 29.09.22 in which 100 students took part. Dr. A. Esther Rani, Medical Officer, Ayush Government Primary Health Care Centre was the Chief Guest.
- Blood Donation Awareness Programme and Camp was organized by YRC & NCC on 27.10.2022. Dr. A. Shanthi, Pathologist, Government Medical College, Tuticorin was the Guest of Honour.
- An Eye Camp was organized by YRC on 29.03.2023. Mr. R. Sellaraj Manuneethi, Head of English Department, Pope’s College spoke on “Awareness of Eye Care.”

Youth Welfare Activities

- Youth Welfare conducted an Outreach Programme “Service to Stymied” on 15.02.2023 at St. Raphael’s Intellectually Disabled School, Sawyerpuram.
- Youth Welfare hosted an Outreach Programme “Neglected Nobles” on 21.02.2023 at Canon Thomas Sither Special School, Nazareth.
- 35 students actively took part in the Cultural Programme at the NSS Camp held at Nattathi on 28.03.2023.

- 17 students participated in the Regional Level Mega Fest at SCAD College of Engineering and Technology, Tirunelveli.

CELLS AND CLUBS

Career Guidance Cell

- Awareness Programme on UPSC Exams was hosted for 55 students by Mr. R. Anantha Rajkumar, Sevakar IAS Academy on 23.08.2022, 02.09.2022 & 16.09.2022 by Career Guidance and Placement Cell.
- Mushroom Cultivation Training was rendered by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University on 24.01.2023.
- Career Guidance and Placement Cell jointly organized “Career Opportunities in CIPET” on 31.01.2023. Dr. M. Bala Subramani, Faculty, Centre Institute of Petrochemicals, Engineering & Technology, Chennai spoke on “Plastic Technology and its Applications.”
- Rtn. Shyamraj, Project Chairman, Beehive Communication Club provided Spoken English Training for 90 students from 07.02.2023 to 09.02.2023 which was jointly organized by Career Guidance and Placement Cell.

Placement Cell

- Placement Cell and Career Guidance Cell together conducted “Life Skill Training Programme on Textile Screen Printing” on 20.09.2022. Mrs. G. Hilda Yernest Packiam & Mrs. V. Rishagalakshmi from the Department of Fashion Designing and Apparel Making, Holy Cross Home Science College, Thoothukudi were the Trainers for the event.
- Placement Cell & Career Guidance jointly hosted an Awareness Programme under Naan Mudhalvan Scheme. Personnel from Veranda Race conducted it for 213 students on 21.09.2022.

- 31 students participated in the Placement Drive by Solcomp on 11.01.2023. Mr. Jeyakumar, Production Manager & Ms. S. Prasanna, HR-in-charge from Orchid Pharma Ltd interviewed 13 students as part of their Recruitment Drive on 10.06.2023.

Counselling Cell

- Counselling Programme for 152 First Year Boys was organised by Counselling Cell on 11/08/2023. Dr. Richard, Principal, Grace College of engineering, Tuticorin spoke on “Positive Thinking and Character Building-Challenges Faced by Teenagers.”
- Counselling Programme for 146 First Year Girls was conducted on “Different Types of Growth and Practical Talk on Gender Issues.” The Invited Speakers were Mrs. Petro Joshua and Dr. Darjula Selvakumar, Tuticorin.
- Student Retreat was hosted by Counselling Cell on 08.10.2022 in which Mr. T. Daniel Rajasekar, Chennai addressed on the theme “Free Bird.” on 14.02.2023.
- Counselling Programme on “Successful Life” was delivered by Mr. Dixon & Team to 304 Girls & 384 Boys.
- 350 students participated in the Programme on “U Can Win” by Mr. Christopher Thomas & Mrs. Lizzy Christopher on 11.04.2023.

Entrepreneurship Development Cell

- EDC and IIC hosted a Motivational Session by Startup Founder Mr. Illaiya Raja, Founder CEO, Digisailor, Thoothukudi on the theme “My Story” on 08.11.2023
- A Workshop on “Design Thinking Critical Thinking and Innovation Design” was hosted by EDC & IIC for 94 students on 03.02.2023. Dr. S. Suvaithran, EDII Field Coordinator, Department of Management, MS University, Tirunelveli was the Resource Person.
- As part of World Creativity and Innovation Day celebrated on 21.04.2023, Mr. Sivaraja Ramanathan, Mission Director & CEO, TANSIM rendered a virtual Talk on “Step Out and Innovate” to 100 students.

Institution's Innovation Cell

- National Innovation Day was celebrated & Inauguration of IIC took place on 21.10.2022 along with a Guest Lecture on “A Key Role of Startup.” 63 participants listened to the insights by Mr. M. Siva Baarathi, Field Coordinator, AURCT-ICDP Hub, Anna University Regional Campus, Tirunelveli.
- IIC jointly with Youth Welfare conducted a Workshop on Entrepreneurship and Innovation as Career Opportunity on 15.11.2022. Mr. J. Mohammed Newsath, Co-Founder, INCRIX Solutions, Kovilpatti was the Resource Person.
- Awareness Programme was organized by Institution's Innovation Council on TNSI (Tamil Nadu Students Innovator) on 24.01.2023. Mr. M. Siva Baarathi, Field Coordinator, AURCT-ICDP Hub, Anna University Regional Campus, Tirunelveli was the Chief Speaker.
- 81 participants took part in the Workshop organised by Institutions Innovation Council on Business Model Canvas on 06.04.2023

Women's Cell

- Aari Work designed by our student trainees was put to display on 29.07.2022.
- An Awareness Programme on Health & Hygiene was conducted for III Year Tamil & Economics Students on 25.01.2023. Mrs. J. Esther, Femi Healthcare, Erode addressed the students.
- Competitions regarding Women's Day celebration was conducted by Women's Cell from 01.03.2023 to 06.03.2022. Mrs. Jeba Thangam Jeyakumar, 15th Ward Councillor, Subramaniapuram was the Guest of Honour. The theme was “Digit All: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality.”
- Women's Day Celebration was conducted by Women's Cell on 08.03.2022. Dr. A. Felcy Navajothy, Assistant Professor of Physics, Sarah Tucker College addressed the students on the theme “Digit All: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality.”

Eco Club

- Tree planting get-togethers were the maximum during this year.

- Inauguration and World Environmental Health day was observed on 29.09.2022.

ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

Many of our Alumni are doing well in their respective domains. Departmental reunion of Alumni is conducted regularly.

NOON MEALS SCHEME

Around 44 students benefitted through Noon Meals Scheme in the year 2022-2023 with staff contribution of Rs. 1,99,981/- Total expenditure for the year is Rs.1,92,320/-

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- ❖ As part of Christmas tradition of Pope's Family, Carol Service was held on 20 December 2022.
- ❖ In our efforts to reach out to the regional needy, New Life Counselling Programme took place on 22 December 2022.

The year 2022-23 was a remarkable year of extensive developments and outstanding achievements. It was marked with the implementation of innovative strategies, advanced techniques and novel concepts.

I shall be failing in my responsibility, if I do not thank my colleagues who work sincerely on campus:

- ❖ **All Heads of Departments, All Deans, Bursar, Physical Director, Coordinator of IQAC, Controller of Examinations, Deputy Controller, UGC Nodal Officer, AISHE Coordinator, NIRF Coordinator, NCC Officer, NSS Officers, Sub wardens, Coordinators of various clubs, supporting staff & all student volunteers.**
- ❖ **Finally, I owe my gratitude to the Secretary of our College, Members of the Governing Board & Building Committee Members**

I am sure that our collective ventures shall take our College to greater heights in serving the society thereby executing the Vision & Mission of our College. I thank the Almighty GOD for supporting & guiding our Institution.

Thank You All. GOD Bless!

