

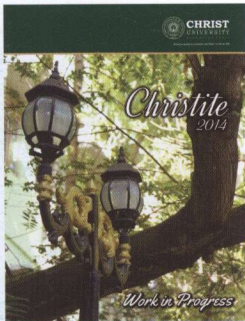


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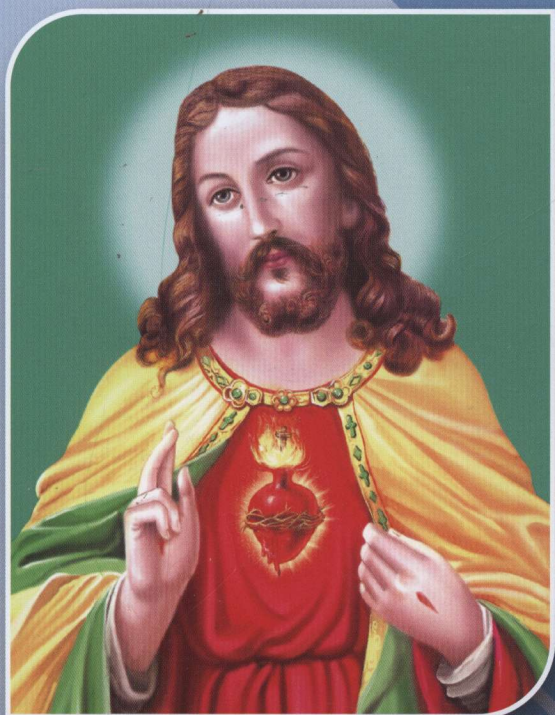
Work in Progress



On the Cover

Nature, the Eternal Work in Progress, at Christ University Campus.





OUR GUIDE

Jesus Christ

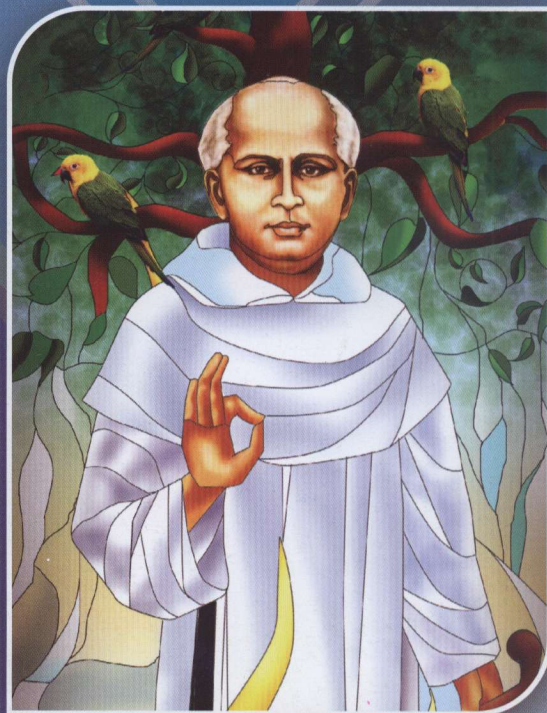
The teacher, who taught the world love,
peace and compassion.

Our Cornerstone

Blessed Kuriakose Elias Chavara

He firmly believed in empowering all
children of God through Education.
He successfully liberated education from the
clutches of the privileged and gave it to
whoever needed it, thus bringing a
change into a rigid stratified society.

Our Patron



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Vision

Excellence and Service

Mission

Christ University is a nurturing ground for an individual's holistic development to make effective contribution to the society in a dynamic environment

Core Values

Faith in God

Moral Uprightness

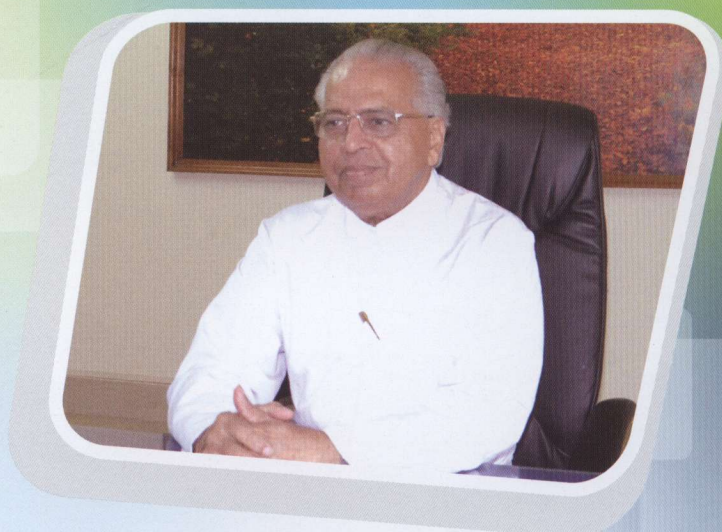
Love of Fellow Beings

Social Responsibility

Pursuit of Excellence

From the desk of

The Chancellor



We live in a fast changing world marked by the developments in technology. Quick access to information has made knowledge creation fast, and its multiple effects have made it explosive. It is also increasingly difficult to anticipate changes and respond to them with creative purpose. Christ University has taken up the challenge by designing courses with relevance to the future and developing the necessary human resource to deliver them, which in itself is a challenging task. All this calls for a team of professionals in different areas to come together to develop proactive strategies for higher education to meet the future demands.

Today the global society is experiencing an unprecedented change. Consequently new developments in science and technology and internationalization of education and the ever-expanding competitive environment are revolutionizing the education scene. One can notice a paradigm shift in higher education from 'national education' to 'global education', from 'one-time education for a few' to 'life-long education for all', from 'teacher-centric education' to 'learner-centric education'. These changes make new demands and pose fresh challenges to the established education systems and practices in the country. The Indian higher education system has a new role and a challenge to provide to the nation and the world at large, skilled human power at all levels, having knowledge and confidence to effectively engage with the social and economic realities of recent years. Christ University has to a large extent anticipated these changes and risen to the occasion with sheer hard work and determination. I am glad to see the changes implemented and the confidence with which the institution has made its inroads to quality education.

My congratulations to the management, the faculty, support staff, students, parents who have collaborated in making this academic year a nurturing one for everyone.

Dr Fr Thomas Aykara

Chancellor

From the desk of
The Vice Chancellor



Christ University is evolving and growing. The faculty members, the heterogeneous student community, the creative support staff, the constantly updating infrastructure are all collaborators in this process of innovating temple of learning. All the practitioners and researchers of this work-in-progress provide a unique opportunity for being a holistic being by sharing valuable ideas, eliciting useful feedback on early-stage work, and fostering discussions and collaborations among colleagues and learners.

We have taken the “road less travelled by and that has made all the difference” here at Christ University. We have reinvented traditions in our endeavours to attain holistic development through Excellence and Service and reach where we are today. We foster a healthy balance of traditional values and individual talents for our growth. We encourage learning, unlearning and relearning based on the present and future needs of our students, society and the nations. All these collective efforts have defined work-in-progress for Christ University community as risking failure and surviving successes.

While I appreciate the togetherness and creativity that has sustained our University mission, I look forward to greater academic and personal fruitfulness for all of us.

Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew
Vice Chancellor

From the desk of

The Registrar



Universities exist to shape the unborn future of the civilization we have inherited. Hence universities become the source from which a more humane and equitable future evolves. Evolution is a collaborative process in a conducive ecosystem. At Christ University the management, the faculty, the staff and the students are active collaborators in this process of evolution.

The evolutionary process is dialectic as the engagement starts at the level of ideas. It is due to this basic engagement that we are assured that the process will yield positive results. When we look at the evolution of life on earth we see that it is marked by a combination of changes that are both slow and fast. Slow in comparison to the lifespan of a person on earth and fast in comparison to the age of the earth. This observation should fill us with hope and motivate our thoughts and actions towards a positive mindset necessary to steer our University towards being a locally and globally relevant University.

The year past has been but one link in evolving this University. The activities of the year have been collective collaborations and co-operations of diverse academic interests fused together by common Vision and Core Values of the University. I congratulate all those who have been part of this endeavour and wish that the academic experience of past one year significantly shapes the productivity of our years to come.

Dr Anil Joseph Pinto
Registrar



The Department of English organizes the screening of a visual text every year for the first year students. "The Pianist", a feature film, was screened on Tuesday, 04 February 2014 in the Main Auditorium. The movie was followed by a presentation and a question answer session.

Mr Prabhas Pandith, (faculty, Department of English, AIMS, Bangalore) an acclaimed scholar of Sanskrit drama, presented to both the undergraduate and postgraduate students of English Studies, a comprehensive account of Natya, an ancient Indian treatise on the performing arts, encompassing theatre, dance and music, where emphasis was maintained at the essentials of these arts, especially drama. The Department of English hosted a talk by renowned British writer Adam Foulds in association with Granta and the British Council and students of I CEP and TCE took part in the deliberations and discussions with English Honours and M.A students. Students of ELT (Elective) were introduced to **Teach for India** and given an orientation about internships available for students. The final year JP and PEP students attended a talk on 'Writing the Feminine' by Shikha Malaviya, organized as part of **Corpus**, one-day workshop on gender discourses.

The Honours in English Studies programme, true to its dynamic standards, had a host of diverse events organized, addressing a variety of objectives. The students were taken on a three-day Field trip to Dandeli-Anshi Tiger Reserve in July as part of their Ecological Discourses and Practices course and gained a close understanding of human-animal conflict contexts, bioregionalistic pressures, diversity of flora and fauna in the Dandeli forests, etc. Later, on a nippy September morning, they were taken on a Bird-watching session to LalBagh. They had workshops arranged on Gender Discourses – Corpus; Close Reading Fictional texts; Film Appreciation; Bio Mapping; and



Teaching English Language through Theatre. Guest lectures on Iron Smelting and Indian Environmental History, Gender and Mythology, On Ethics, On Environmental Concerns in Koodankulam, were organized. Jabberwocky – the Annual Literary Fest and Chautauqua – the Intercollegiate Poetry Out Loud Fest, enabled the student community to explore co-curricular terrains.

This year's National Seminar Maya Bazaar – Re-viewing 100 Years of Indian Cinema had a rich and diverse set of resource people - Mr. S. Theodore Bhaskaran, Film Historian; Mr. C. S. Venkateswaran, Film Critic & Documentary Film maker, Ms. Bina Paul, Film Editor, Mr. Jaideep Varma, Writer and Film maker, Mr. Gnani Sankaran, Writer and Mr. Rajesh, Script Doctor.

It was an eventful year for the M.A. English with Communication Studies, with the department fest, National seminar *Mayabazar* and much more. 'Coffee Hour' saw guest lectures by artists such as Charles Ma (classical dancer) and Simon Lamour (graphic artist) 'Srujana' -Teaching in the Slums program in collaboration with the Centre for Social Action had students of I year M.A. conduct classes each Saturday afternoon. This year in keeping with the University's commitment to digital teaching/ learning , the II MA's produced a series of short films "Aji's Learning English" to be used as teaching material in the Srujana classrooms.

The Quill's Will team published 4 online issues of the newsletter. A series of guest lectures on the 'The Great Indian Novel' was organised by II MA. The speakers were His Excellency, Ambassador Muthukumar, Prof Chengappa, Prof Gerard Rassendran, Prof Sindhuja Iyengar and Prof Susan Andrade (Fulbright Scholar). The themes ranged from the economic feasibility of the Indian novel to the Emergency and its impact on the Indian Novel

In all, the Department of English, along with nurturing the existing activities, has spearheaded events in this academic year which have opened boulevards to making the experience of being in Christ University truly a holistic experience.



Media studies department has always come up with some spectacular thoughts and ideas, to provide their students excellent learning platform and to enlighten the entire university about the media. In this regard, the UG media studies department have concluded their academic year of 2013/14 with some remarkable events, workshops and exhibitions. The department have attempted to spread relevant information and messages about media throughout the University campus with their major events and exhibitions.

The major event for this academic year was “Maadhyam”, which was an annual fest at Christ University. The event was conducted on January 28, 2014. The theme of the event was “Trial by Media” a phenomenon, which has been a crucial topic for debate over a years and significantly relevant in today's scenario. This particular event was graced by some prominent media personalities, such as Chitra Subramaniam Duella and Romal Singh. This particular event was not only a learning platform, but also a forum for students to explore their talents and initiatives. At the conclusion of the event the UG final year students released the creative Magazine “Chagrsheet”, which describes the overall teamwork and collaboration between students and the Department. The UG media studies department concluded its academic 2013-14 by organizing a photo exhibition event. The event was organized to expose the talents of the students in photography. Through proper support of the guide and the department, the students completed their final and important event of this academic year.

The students of MS in communication were given the opportunity to visit 'Thomson Reuters' newsroom at their Bangalore office on 8 January, 2014. They also had an educational tour to Ramoji Film City, Hyderabad, the

largest integrated film city in the world on 17th of January.

As part of Utsav-2014 the department organised an event bringing eminent film personality Shri Amol Palekar, one of the most renowned movie icons of the Hindi and Marathi film industries. His directorial movie, “Quest’ was screened.



Department of Media Studies organised talks with Shri Santosh Hegde, former chief justice and former Lokayukta from Karnataka on 14 February, 2014. He emphasised the crucial role of media as the fourth estate by popular interest in the efficient functioning of the Indian democracy.

Department of Media Studies, through the MS in Communication program initiated the Public Relations club – Personnel Equations. The event held on 25th February 2014 was inaugurated by Naomi Junaid, Chairperson, South Zone, Public Relations Council of India, Bangalore.

Students of MS in communication also participated in a workshop on food photography on February 28, 2014.





KANNADA

The year 2013-14 was an exciting one for the Kannada Department. It started off with the Yakshagana performance by students on 17 of July 2013. The event was called Gadha Yuddha and was solely organised by the department of Kannada. The performance narrated an episode from the epic Mahabharata which enthralled the audience. Further, the department organized an inter department cultural competition called Inchara on the 20 of February 2014. A Kannada magazine 'Vagartha' was released by the department on 4 March 2014. The

m a g a z i n e contained articles written by the students and the occasion was graced by the presence of the registrar Mr. Anil Pinto and Dean of of Humanities and Social Sciences, Mrs. Mallika Krishnaswamy. This academic year was an eventful one for the department and is looking forward to organize more



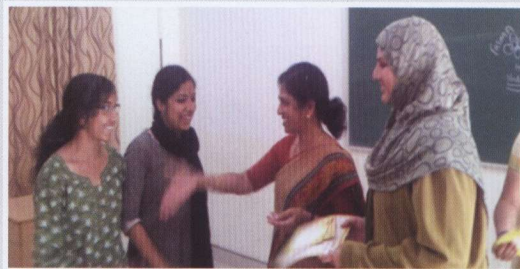
such events in the coming academic year.

SANSKRIT

The Sanskrit Department of Christ University worked successfully under the guidance of the Dean and Head of the Department. Students took up their Mid Semester Examination in the month of March as their first CIA and submitted written articles and presented them in the classroom as their second CIA. For their third CIA, the students took up various topics and wrote articles in WIKIPEDIA. Gagan of 4th Sem B.Com was awarded a certificate for the best article in Sanskrit, by the



Students receiving the prizes from the Dean



Wikipedia team. On 15 February, 2014, Inter class competitions were held as part of Susamskriti. Students participated joyfully and bagged prizes.

HINDI & URDU

Department of Languages organised multi lingual poets meet on **15 July 2013** in Christ University. The Department of Hindi and Urdu of Christ University organized their annual programme Sham-E-Ghazal on Friday, **23 August 2013** at the Campus view, 10th Floor, Central Block. The students of Christ University and Ghazal lovers from all over the city came together to enjoy the evening of music and poetry. Renowned Urdu and Hindi poets as well as aspiring student poets of Christ University were present during the occasion. This was a platform for our young poets to present their Ghazals and poems in front of a huge audience.

The Hon. Vice Chancellor Rev. Dr. Fr. Thomas C Mathew inaugurated the programme. In his inaugural address, he spoke about the relevance of organizing such programmes in the

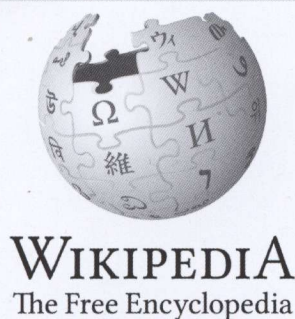




campus where students from different religions and cultures harmoniously co-exist. He also insisted upon the need to promote and preserve the ancient forms of art like Ghazal singing. The Chief Guest of the function was Ustad Hari Krishen Pahva, the renowned Hindustani and Ghazal singer. This event saw the presence of poets like Zafer Mohiuddin, Muneer Ahmed Jami, Nadeem Farooqi, Hasan Ali, Natiq Ali Puri, Kishwer Kolari, Asar Jaffery. Noted Scholar Prof. Maher Mansoor presided over the function. Selected student poets like Arati Rajan, Chahak Goel, Aditi Lahoti, Pallavi Jha, Mohammed Musaib, Nisaruddin, Priyank Himanshu, Mohammed Ameerhamza, presented their poems. Ghazal singers Chakochan, Anustha, Himali, Akash, Vidyun and Sarvar enthralled the audience with their melodious rendering of popular Ghazals.

WIKIPEDIA PROJECT

1200 students from the Department of Languages with Hindi, Tamil, Urdu and Tamil took initiative to prepare article in their language. The best articles created by student were felicitated by the Wikipedia team and the university felicitated the Wikipedia team. Valedictory programme was organised under the Wikipedia Education Programme 2013-14 in Christ University on March 10.



TAMIL

The department experimented with a visual text, an innovation made in the curriculum in this academic year. The text, Aadukalam, a Tamil film, was well received by the students and it got reflected in the lengthy discussion that followed the film screening.

The students also contributed to the Tamil Wikipedia. One of the entries got a special mention by the Wikipedia and the student was felicitated during the prize distribution ceremony.

The department involved itself with the other programmes organized by the Department of Languages including the Multi-lingual Poets' Meet on July 15, 2013,

Bhasha Utsav on September 5, 2013 and Kavi Dina on January 31, 2014. The literary festival Indhira Vizha was celebrated on January 22, 2014. Students actively participated in debate, poetry writing and essay writing competitions. They also made interesting presentations as a part of their CIA which provided an opportunity to showcase their creativity and critical outlook.

HOD, Tamil, presented research papers in Turku University, Finland (August 2013), Manipur University, Imphal (February 2014) and English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad (March 2014).

FRENCH

The first year French students participated enthusiastically in the Multi Lingual Poets' Meet on 15 July '13.

Besides the role plays and other activities in the class, the presentation of charts on France which formed part of the continuous internal assessment, was put up for public display.

Augustin Levebvre, an exchange student from Science Po University, Paris was invited for a guest lecture on 19 September. Speaking about higher education, he drew the differences between his University and Christ University.

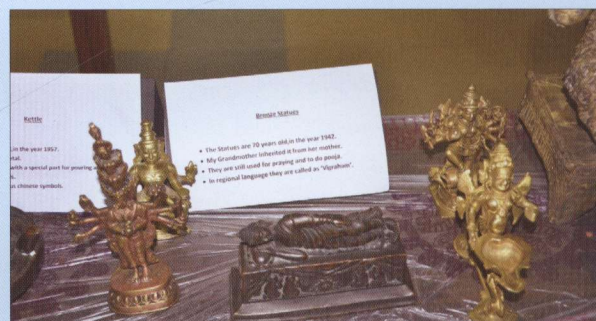
Joie de Vivre, the interclass French competitions, was conducted on 22 February '14. With events like Pot Pourri, Short Story Writing, Painting, Music and Skit, the events saw an active participation from the French students.

The French students won the overall trophy at the competitions held by St. Joseph's College of Arts and Science, Bangalore.

The second years brought out the second volume of the online newsletter.

HISTORY

The Department of History inaugurated its series of seminars from the month of June by organizing a lecture session on 26 June in Assembly Hall, Block-2 from 12 noon. This academic year was titled as "Retrieval of History". To set the pace of its launching program, "Explorations", Dr. T.M. Keshava from Archaeological Department of India was invited. His second session "Excavations" was held in Mini Auditorium on 4th July. Further, in collaboration with English Department a lecture session was organized in Central Block on 10 July, titled as "History through literature and Narratives" and was presided by Dr. Abhaya who discussed about various creation myths of the Earth when finally on 12 July her second session was held at Panel Room, Block 2. Apart from this, on 25 July in Conference Hall, Block-2, a lecture was held titled "Retrieving History through Theatre" presided by Dr. Prakash Belawadi, Co founder of Centre of Film and Drama. A documentary screening program on 23 August was organized for the students, titled as "Days That Shook the World". Two student seminars were also conducted. First as "Instability in Asia" took place on 28 August in Assembly Hall, Block-2 where Dr. Yong, Korean Teacher, obliged to be the chief guest. Second Student Seminar "Cold War and its effects on the then society" was held on 5 September in Central Block where Dr. M.K. Singh honored to be the presiding member. Apart from this, an in-class presentation was held on 12 September where Safiullah Naseri, 2nd Year, EPS student presented a paper "Afghanistan". Further, in collaboration with Archaeological Survey of India, student campaign on 19th November for World Heritage Week was



organized to spread awareness of rich heritage and ancient monuments worldwide. This week long celebration, paused with exhibition on 25-26 November in Central Block titled as Archaeological Findings and Monuments and two day National Seminar on South Indian Archaeology on 25-26 November which focused on Pre-History, Mesolithic, Neolithic, Chalcolithic, Megalithic, Architecture of South India, Archaeological excavations of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Marine Archaeology, Archaeological excavations and Roman trade with India where presenters (historians, scholars, academicians, renowned lecturers) from across the nation presented their papers. Finally, on 19 December, Mr. Sudeesh, CPO, Azim Premji University gave a guest talk on Social Sciences-Its Relevance and Applications.

With this, the Department wound up its activities in the month of February for the academic year 2013-14.

POLITICAL SCIENCE



The Dept. of Political Science combines classroom teaching with other activities that provides students with political exposure. Students gain an in-depth knowledge of political theory and the practical applications of political principles. This approach equips them to better understand the nuances of political dynamics. As part of these initiatives, The Department of Political Science sent four students from the 6 semester to the *Institut d'études politiques de Paris* i.e. Sciences Po, Paris as a part of an exchange program. Practical activities ensure that

students understand certain concepts and theories better. Keeping this in mind, On 23, 24 August, the final year students of HEP (History, Economics, Political Science) and EPS (Economics, Political Science, Sociology) were taken to an overnight rural camp in Kolar to study local governance. The department has also initiated a working paper on electoral reforms. Apart from this the Department also comes out with e-journal by the students of Political Science called *Avalokan* which means 'Outlook'.



PHILOSOPHY

The first year students of Bachelor of Philosophy, Master in Philosophy, and Licentiate in Philosophy were initiated into the new academic session on 4 June 2013. Prof. Dr. Saju Chackalackal, President of DVK and Dr. Jose Nandhikkara, Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy accorded warm welcome to the freshers in the function organized at the JBC Auditorium. Rev Fr. Raju Akkara, introduced the students to the wonders of life and philosophy. The One day session was held at Multimedia Hall, DVK Central Library on 5 June. The Vice Chancellor, Rev Dr Thomas C Mathew also welcomed the freshers into the world of philosophical investigations. The Department of Philosophy, also organised, under the leadership of Fr John Neelankavil, the Paul Wiegelmann Annual Lectures, on Environmental Studies, on 14 August 2013. Ms Bhargavi S. Rao spoke on Rejuvenating lakes, rivers, wells and ensuring water security. As a person committed to Environmental Education, Environmental health, Biodiversity, and an activist on environmental issues Bhargavi S. Rao addressed the various aspects of environment especially related to waterbodies.

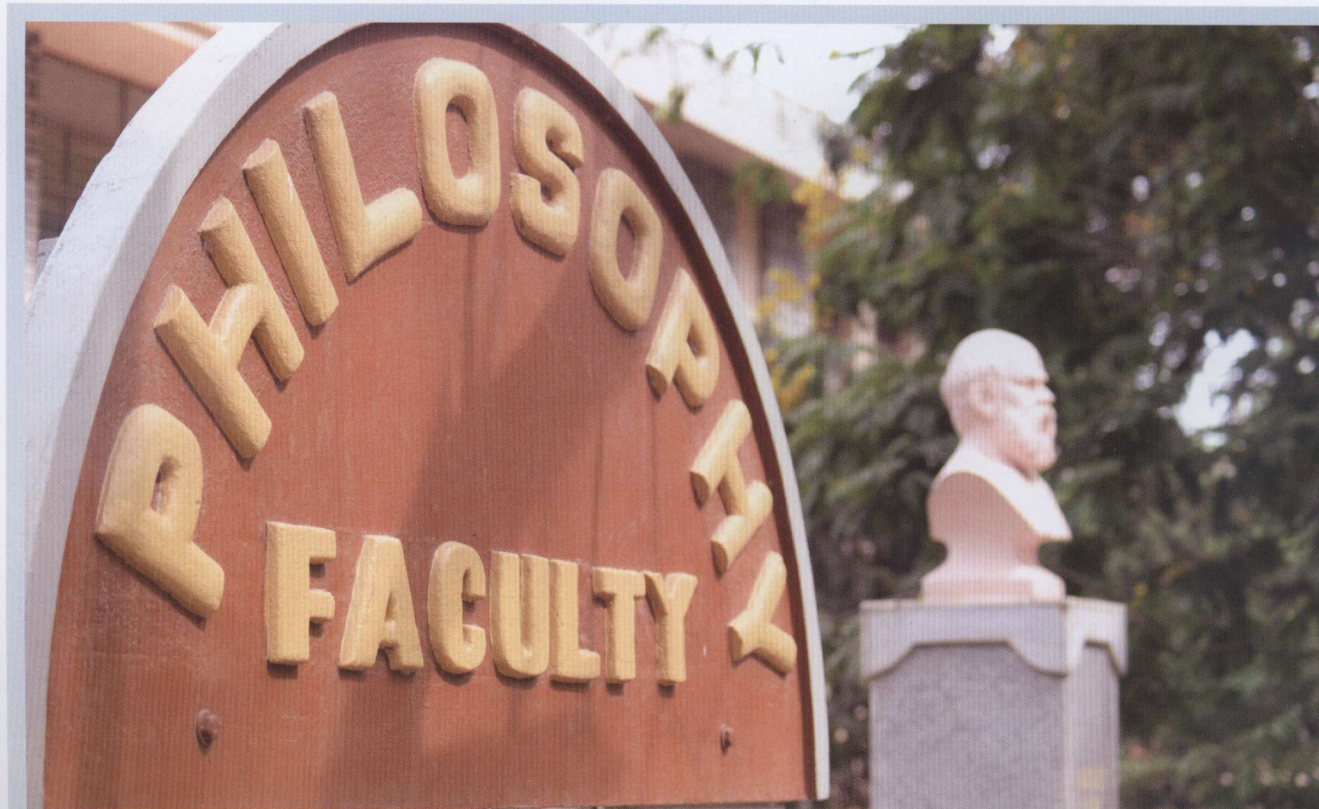
Dr. JojoParecatil organised a programme on 7 Septemebr 2013 in collaboration with the Centre for Dalit/Subaltern Studies, New Delhi in which the *Journal of Subaltern and Cultural Theology* was launched. Three other books, *Rethinking Theology in India*, *DBC Volume 10: Ezra, Nehemiah and Tobit* & *DBC Volume 13: Proverbs and Ecclesiastes* and *Christians of Scheduled Caste Origin In India: A Study of Their Socio-Economic, Cultural and Political Status* were released.

Dharma Endowment Lectures 2013-2014 was by Prof Dr Gerald J. Pillay Vice-Chancellor and Rector at Liverpool Hope

University, UK on 7-8 January 2014. The title of the series of lectures, "How Can We Sing the Lord's Song in a Strange Land?" came from the concern of Jews expressed while they were in exile. The lectures reflected on a similar alienation felt by believers today who, in the face of secularism, often are withdrawn, defensive, and even intimidated. A special session for the members of the staff was arranged on Thursday 7 January, 2014, followed by dinner.

On Thursday, 21 November, 2013, the department celebrated World Philosophy Day with a seminar on Religion and Ethics. Besides the staff and students from the Department of Philosophy there were also participants from the Faculty of Philosophy, Dharmaram Vidya Ksheram, De Paul Institute of Philosophy and Pushpasram Institute of Philosophy and Religion. There were six papers examining the interface of religion and ethics. The seminar was concluded with a challenging and fruitful Panel Discussion. Prof Alex Thannippara and Dr JojoParecatil were the directors of the Department Seminar.

The annual Philosophy Day celebrations were held on 4 February, 2014 at Pastor Herbert Kringe Auditorium, Dharmaram Research Centre. Prof Dr Saju Chackalackal, President DVK presided over the function. The teachers were thanked and appreciated (Gurudin), the parents and guardians were felicitated (Pitr-Matrdin), the outgoing students were given a warm send-off and students from all batches performed a variety of entertainment programmes which were both enjoyable and thought provoking (Safirtyadin).



PSYCHOLOGY

The Psychology association is a student body comprising of representatives from all the undergraduate and postgraduate Psychology classes. The association is guided by faculty members and aims to promote curricular and extracurricular activities related to Psychology. The governing body of the association consists of a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. The three major events organized for the year 2013-14 were:

Street play competition for the first year students was held on 30-8-13

Singing competition for the second year UG students was held on 29-11-13

Exhibition for all UG & PG students was held on 13-12-13

Research paper presentations for third year undergraduate students were held on 30-11-12



Among the initiatives of community service, the department organized an annual workshop for school teachers on 15 and 16 November 2013. The resource persons for the workshop were the faculty members of the department of psychology who shared their expertise and knowledge with the community of school teachers. The theme of the workshop was creating positive learning spaces: Recognizing diversity and Enhancing student empowerment.

The Department of Psychology organized a three day workshop on Restoring Safety to the Shattering of the Trauma from June 17th- 19th, 2013. Thirty Three participants representing a cross-section of counselors, students and others who had a keen interest in therapy through art attended the workshop. The facilitator for the workshop was Dr. Kate Donohue, Registered Expressive Arts Therapist from California.

As a part of its commitment to community initiative and service, department supported the awareness rally against drug abuse and illicit trafficking by participating in the event. 64 undergraduate PSEng (Psychology, Sociology, English), Honours (Psychology) and postgraduate students of the Department of Psychology volunteered to participate in the rally. The rally commenced at 3.00 pm, and involved a 1- km

awareness walk from the Police Wireless Headquarters on M.G. Road. The students were provided with placards, stickers, caps and t-shirts with slogans.

The National Seminar on *Living Well: Grounding Positive Psychology in Practice* was held on January 20, 2014. 35 participants consisting of postgraduate students, research scholars, teaching faculty and practitioners took part in the seminar. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Navin Kumar, Associate Professor, University of Delhi. His talk centred around the influence of mass media on youth. The panel discussions that followed were on the broad theme of *Positive psychology in Clinical Practice* and mental health.

The fifth Workshop for Teachers and Educators was organized by the Department of Psychology on November 15-16, 2013 at Christ University. The workshop provides a common platform for schools teachers, administrators and counsellors to discuss various issues related to current trends and research in the field of Educational Psychology. This year 27 participants registered for the workshop and consisted of middle and high school teachers and administrators from schools across Bangalore and teacher trainees from the School of Education, Christ University. The theme for this year was Creating Positive Learning Spaces and focused on two contemporary topics namely – Diversity in schools and classrooms and Student Empowerment.

The Department also organized a three-day workshop on the Therapeutic Process of Psychoanalysis, from October 16 -18, 2013. The workshop was facilitated by Dr. Jhuma Basak, a Training Analyst of the Indian Psychoanalytical Society, Kolkata and a member of Psychoanalytic Associations in Kolkata, London and Japan. Dr. Basak holds a deep interest in cultural psychoanalysis.

The Department of Psychology organized the annual Young Psychologist National Paper Presentation Competition on 18.12.13. This academic activity provided a forum for undergraduate students to present papers among their peers. Students from across the country participated in this event on the theme applied psychology. Best papers were judged by panelists and three outstanding papers were rewarded through cash prizes.





The Department of Economics hosted an array of events this past academic year. On 29 January, 2014, the students of MA Applied Economics had organised an outreach program to Ashwas, the centre run by Dharmaram Vidhya Shektram, the parent organization of Christ University. Ashwas provides daily midday meal to more than 450 people from underprivileged class of

the society with a special focus on Kidwai Cancer Institute which has 200 patients. The centre also provides free meals to the cancer patients from Kidwai Cancer Institute who cannot afford to buy themselves a meal. The outreach program was an initiative to help the students imbibe values pertaining to social awareness. The students served meals to the participants and also helped in cleaning the utensils and plates. The visit sensitized the students about the sufferings of the people and helped them to understand their responsibility towards the underprivileged. This programme was a successful outcome of the previous visit of the students to the NGO on 18 December, 2013 which had carved out an unforgettable experience in the lives of the students to understand the realities of life. They had also played Christmas carols for the gathering.

Keeping in mind the hotly debatable situation of food security in India in recent times, the students of MA Economics had aptly organised a panel discussion on the same presided by Dr. P M Mathew to further dwell upon the topic. With negotiations going on with respect to Agricultural market access in WTO, the issue

has come to spotlight again. Another panel discussion on the topic 'Political Nitty Gritty on the Economy of India' was organised on



20 December, 2013. The moderator of the session was Prof. V.K. Xavier who began the event on an informative note giving an insight into the existing situation of India and how the upcoming elections will have an impact on the economic scenario of India.

On 23 September, 2013, 'Setting up an Economy in Mars' was conducted by II MA students. The objective of this session was to promote thinking like an economist by setting up an economy as per their view points on Mars; it could be an ideal economy free of all issues as per the creative whims and fancies of the students. Both the I MA and II MA classes were divided into seven combined groups and were asked to send one representative for a presentation based on their ideal economy, their set of assumptions, policies and ideologies to make it an ideal economy. The presentation was followed by a brain storming session with a lot of questions being asked from other teams to the presenting team. However, the experience was really thought provoking.

The students of M.A. Economics also organised the Journal Club where discussions about a number of research papers and journals in the field of Economics were held with the entire class to foster further knowledge and boost understanding of the students about various facets of the subject. The students presented these papers which aided others in the class with their own academics.



EDUCATION

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2013-14 has been an eventful year for the Department of Sociology.

The Department organized a one day workshop on 'Engaging Social Sciences in the 21st Century – Curriculum, Research, Pedagogy and Practice' in collaboration with the National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bangalore on March 17, 2014. It was a platform where we as academic practitioners reflected on the curriculum, research and best practices in our own disciplines and there by thinking on the ways to transform our pedagogies in tune with the arising demands of the society.

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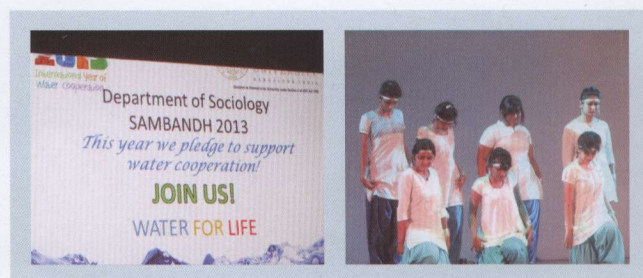
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The Department of Sociology, Christ University hosted Voices from the Waters 2013, the 8th International Travelling Film Festival on Water on August 29, 30 and 31 in collaboration with Goethe Institut, Rolling Frames Film Society, Karnataka Chalanachitra Academy, Federation of Film Societies of India, Finger Lakes Environmental Film Festival, Swaraj and Deep Focus Cinema and the Bangalore Film Society. Films were screened between 9 and 4 pm on August 29 and 30 and between 9 and 1 pm on August 31, 2013.

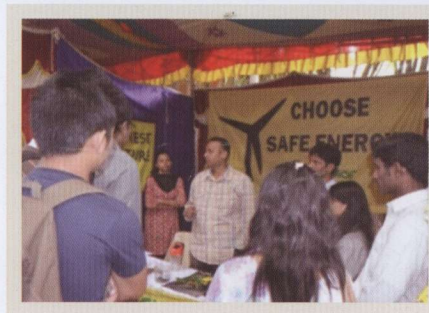
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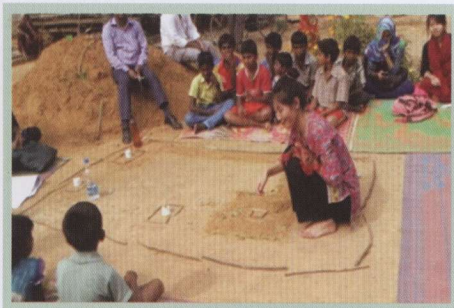
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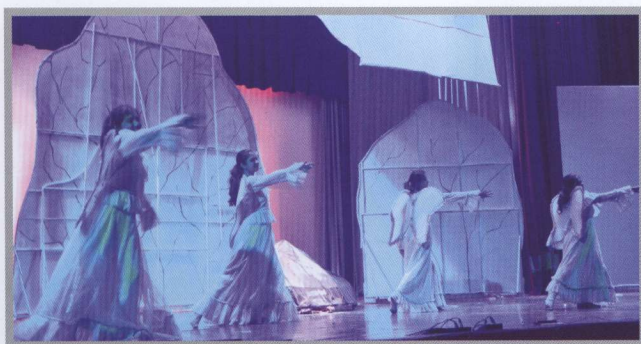


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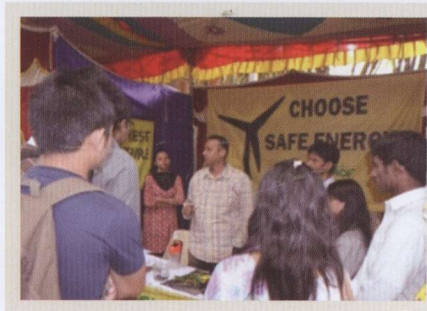
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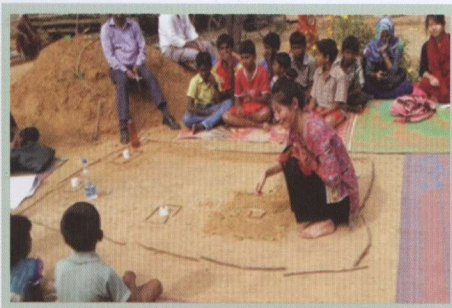
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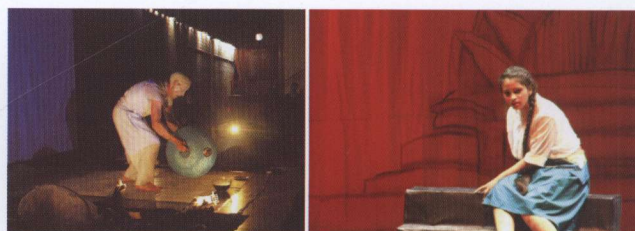
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m) International Trainers – Insights, Workshops and Performances

A theatre performance by Ronald Rand from USA, a mime performance by Marcus Schmid from Switzerland, and a Playback Theatre workshop by Joke Rood (Holland) and Karin Gisler (Switzerland). These three were the practical highlights of the year 2013-14. Guidance by John Bennett - Department of Drama - Liverpool Hope University on curriculum orientation gave academic teeth to ensure that the drama at Christ University keeps developing as per global standards.

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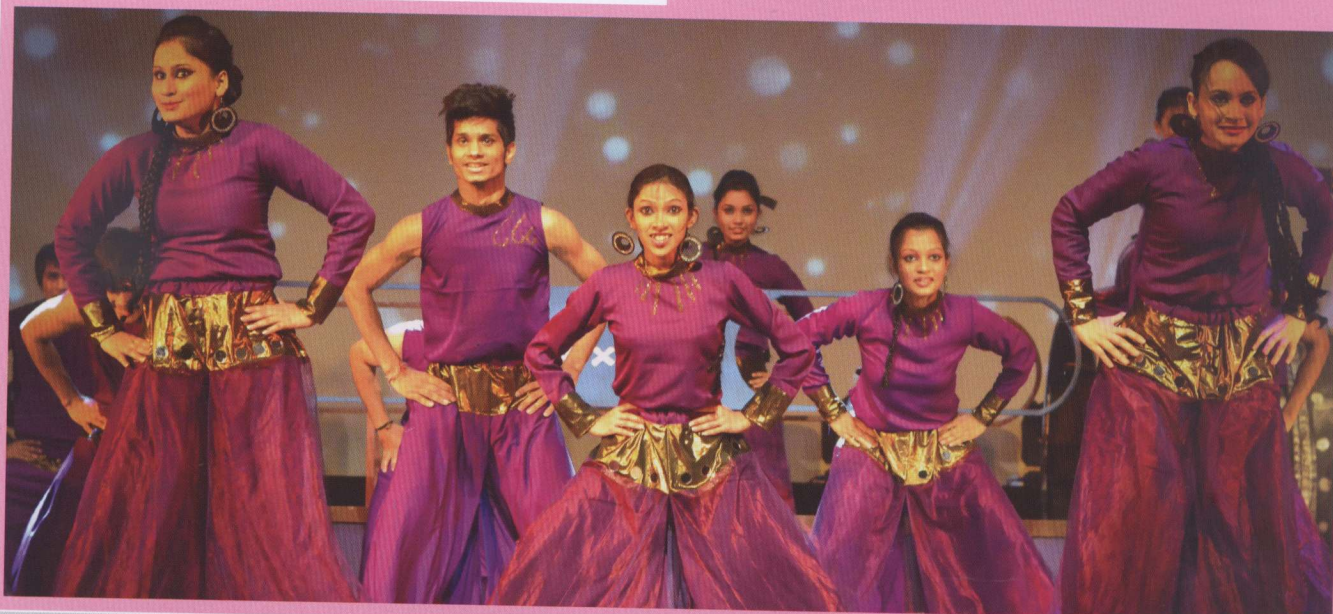
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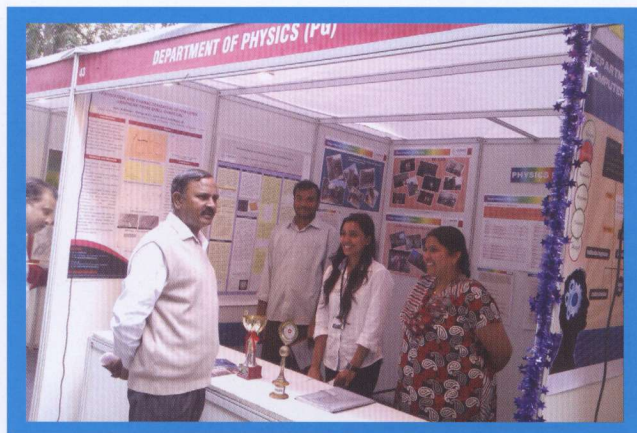
The Department of Performing Arts witnessed yet another year marked by creativity, innovations, liveliness, excitement, passion and enthusiasm. The academic year 2013-14 began with a Mandolin Concert by Shri Mysore S. Deepak on the occasion of World Music Day. This was followed by another programme of Carnatic Music – Swaranjali and the annual theatre performance – VISION 2020 – 7 Continents, 7 Plays. The Department also joined hands with the Department of languages to add more colours and vibrancy to the most awaited event of the year – Bhasha Utsav, and was on the forefront organizing numerous others from Gurubhyo Namaha – Teacher's Day Celebrations to Thyagaraja Mahotsav to the University Dance Day – NRITTA. The department also initiated the PEP fest – PRAYATNA, which was received with much appreciation from the students and the management. The academic year was also a witness to various short plays from across the world in the forms of classroom productions put up by the students. Led by Mr. Prabin Villareesh and his team including Ms. Chitra S., Mr. Mohammed Arif and Ms. Rajashree Das, the department is ever evolving and they continue to instill the values of respect, humility and discipline through their vision statement – 'Integrity through aesthetic performance'.



PHYSICS

All the student activities of physics department during this academic year were organized under the auspices of the Physics Association. The faculty coordinator of the association, Prof. Manoj B, along with the student coordinators representing all the classes arranged a number of programmes during this academic year.

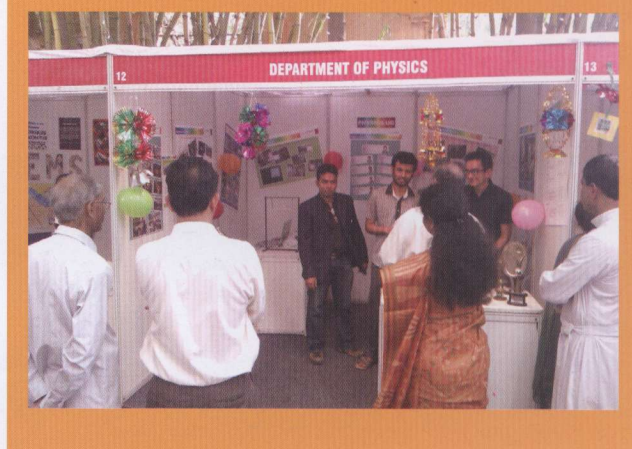
On 20 June, 2013 Inauguration of the Physics Association and a talk on "SPACE WEATHER - SUN EARTH CONNECTIONS" by Prof. K. Sundara Raman, Senior Scientist & Head, Indian Institute of Astrophysics, Kodaikanal Observatory was hosted.



On 28 August, 2013, the department Inaugurated EUREKA (intercollegiate physics fest) and organized a talk on "Dark Matter & Dark Energy", by Prof. Samuel, RRI, Bangalore. Then followed a series of talks by leading intellectuals like a talk on "Microlensing Search for Exoplanets" by Prof. Andrew Cole, School of Mathematics & Physics, University of Tasmania, Australia which was insightful for the students. "Physics under Extreme Pressures", by Prof. CHANDRABHAS NARAYANA, JNCASR, Bangalore, "Crystal Growth Diseases", by, Prof. S Nataraj, Professor Emeritus, Madurai Kamaraj University, Tamilnadu, "Graphene – The wonderous nano carbon" by Prof. Manoj B, Department of Physics, Christ University, "Superconductivity" and Experimental Demonstration by Prof. George Thomas C, Department of Physics, Christ University, "Introduction to Night Sky" followed by Night Sky Observation



using Telescope by Bharath A J, Young Innovators Association, Bangalore and "Carrier Prospects after M. Sc" by Sandra Dias Research Scholar, MRC, IISc Bangalore. There were also Science Exhibition, Physics Alumni Meet, "FRICTION 2014" Intra-class (PCM & PME) competitions, Lecture workshop on Emerging trends in Materials Science Organized by Departments of Physics and Electronics, Christ University, In association with Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR) and "Bondade Lecture Competition" by Indian Physics Association (IPA- Bangalore chapter) and Physics Department of Christ University.





Department of chemistry offers four UG programmes PCM, CBZ, BCB, BCZ and two MSc programmes with specialization in Organic and Analytical chemistry. The department also offers MPhil and PhD programmes in chemistry. 7 certificate courses are offered to take care off for the overall development of the students. These courses provide quality education at affordable costs and enable them with the required qualities for research and employment in relevant industries and institutes.

The Chemistry Association of the department was inaugurated on 26 July 2013 by Dr. Chandrabhas Narayana, CPMU, JNCASR, Bangalore and he delivered a talk on "Chemistry-Challenges and opportunities". An Intercollegiate science fest "Chemoz" was organized by the department on 29^{August} 2013 to inculcate scientific temper, event management skills and social interaction skills among our students. Students from 15 colleges in and around Bangalore participated in the fest. The students of first year MSc Chemistry visited NEST, Orphanage, Kengeri on 28-06-13 and final year B.Sc. BCB and BCZ students visited Sneha Care home, Sarjapur on 24-08-13 as a part of society oriented programmes.

Final year MSc Chemistry students visited Anthembio Sciences Ltd Bangalore on 2 September 2013. Students got an opportunity to understand the instrumentation and working of NMR spectroscopy and GCMS. Second year B.Sc. students visited Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Ltd., final year B.Sc. PCM and CBZ students visited Apotex pharmachem Ltd. and BCB and BCZ students visited Biocon Ltd. as a part of industrial visit. All faculty members visited JNCASR, Jakkur Bangalore on 9 Oct 2013.

A News letter "Chemunique", was released in the month of January 2014.

The Two day Workshop on 'Advances in Chemical Sciences' was Organized by Department of Chemistry, In association with Karnataka Science and Technology Academy, Bangalore on 12-13 September 2013 and two day workshop on Recent advances in Spectroscopy in association with Indian academy of sciences on 28 february and 1 of March 2014. These kind of programmes provide a great opportunity to meet and interact with the

scientists of renowned institutions.

Department of Chemistry, Christ University In association with National Science and Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board Department of Science & Technology, Government of India, New Delhi Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Ahmedabad organized Entrepreneurship Awareness Camp for the final year undergraduate science students.

Final year MSc students won second prize in intercollegiate quiz competition conducted by IISc, Bangalore during Feb 2014.

Special lecture sessions on topics related to Stereochemistry by Dr. M. A. Pasha, Prof. of Chemistry, Bangalore University and Neutron Activation Analysis by Dr. Gulshan Relhan Nuclear Analytical Chemist Rtd from BARC, Mumbai have been organized by the department for final year M.Sc. students. On 15 Feb 2014 Dr. Ganesh Sambashivam CSO, Anthembiosciences addressed the final year B.Sc PCM, CBZ, BCB and BCZ students on carrer opportunities in chemistry.

A five day quality Improvement programme for the faculty members was organized by the department from 18 to 22 March 2014. The department also organized two batches of INSPIRE science camp for class 11 students from various colleges in and around Bangalore.

The department organised campus recruitments for the post graduate students with reputed firms like Apotex Pharmaceuticals Pvt Ltd., Bangalore, Aten Biotech Ltd., Anthem Biosciences, Bangalore and Medrieche Pharmaceuticals Pvt Ltd., Bangalore.





The Botany Curriculum is designed to suit the industry and global competency, with the latest topics of tissue culture technology, Agriculture, Ethnobotanical foundation, Genetic engineering technology, phytochemistry, pharmacognosy and application oriented topics like organic farming, waste management, rainwater harvesting, paper recycling, organic composting and mushroom cultivation included in it. The students are imparted with a practical knowledge and are trained in all the above areas inside the lab as well as in the field.

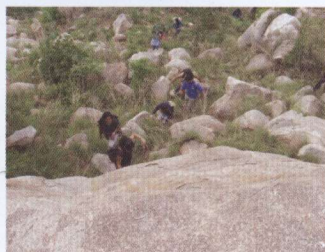
Study trips are an important and integral part of the curriculum. Students are taken for study trips every semester. Inter departmental program is also arranged biotechnology department to conduct tissue culture experiments and projects. Extracurricular activities – like the department fest called FLORA is conducted by the students of our department where students of other educational institutions are involved in competitions pertaining to Botany. Students are also encouraged

to participate in similar programs in other institutions also. Selected students accompany the staff members of the department to participate outstation programs like camps, seminars, and workshops etc., Students are actively involved in paper recycling process and prepare many attractive items like folders, invitation cards, posters, carry bags etc., Students are actively involved in organic waste recycling process and prepare organic composts. Certificate courses like Gardening and Home medicine (Ethnobotany), give ample opportunity to create self job opportunities after their graduation. Assessments are conducted through library assignments, submission of assignments through internet, field studies and submission of reports, participation in co-curricular programmes etc.



ZOOLOGY

The department of Zoology organized trekking on 3 July, 2013 to Antaragangebetta situated in Kolar district. The students who were part of this trekking exercise learnt team building, and to identify different species of birds and animals. Trekking helped them to be physically healthy and gave an exposure for adventures.



A campaign was organized by the Green Army of Zoology department on 6 July, 2013 at Kempegowda bus station. The main motto of this campaign was to make the surrounding areas a litter free zone. Students of Green Army were successful in creating awareness on the ill effects of littering in public places.

The department of Zoology also arranged a talk on Yoga, on 19 July, 2013 (From 11pm-12pm). Well-trained teachers' from "A 1000 Yoga" association gave a brief introduction about Yoga and its effects on our body and health. They also stressed on the need for Yoga for our life and its importance. This programme was part of the Activity hour for both CBZ and BCZ students. Fr. Jobi, prof. Dr. P.U. Antony, Prof. S. Ganesh and Asst. Prof. J.D. Nandini attended the seminar.

The Green Army of Zoology department organized 'Birding' on 30 July, 2013. Students were taken to Lalbagh Botanical Garden for bird watching, where they observed a number of species of birds which were flying around Lalbagh.

'Species' is an intercollegiate fest organized by the department on 26 August, 2013. The programme included crossword, dumb charades, photography, pick and speak and quiz competitions. An Exhibition was put up which showcased the peculiar, uncommon and interesting specimens and also some cancer specimens from KIDWAI hospital. Brain specimens from NIMHANS were also under display. A live glass beehive and aquarium were additional attractions. Thirteen colleges from Bangalore participated in the fest. This event ended with a talk by Dr. Harish Bhat, a biodiversity expert from IISc, Bangalore and various cultural programmes by CBZ/BCZ students. Prof. Dr. Louis George and Fr. Jobi were part of the programme.

On 5 July, 2013, the department organized a Guest lecture on Dermatology by Dr. Nagaraja, senior consultant, Sagar hospital, (from 11pm-12pm). The students of 6 semester were given this opportunity to know about skin. The talk helped students to enhance their knowledge on skin care and the precautions to be taken in order to prevent skin diseases.



A field study was organized from the department on 13 December, 2013 for the 6 semester CBZ/BCZ



students. Students were taken to Ranganatittubirds sanctuary which is situated outside Srirangapattana, Mandya dist. The field study made the students imbibe better knowledge on birds especially on spoon bills and egrets which are very commonly seen in that place.

On 7 December, 2013 an interactive session was conducted for students on the topic "KasturiRangan's report on Western Ghats" by Volunteers of Green Army. The session was very interactive which helped other students gain knowledge on the reports made by KasturiRangan on Western Ghats.

An exhibition was organized on 20 December, 2013 from Christ University as a part of In Bloom. Under the banner of Science Deanery, the department of Zoology showcased models which gave ideas on Geological time scale, Formation of land mass and also about mammalian diversity.

Career guidance was given in the programme Career Fair which was organized by Christ University on 6 January, 2014. The department of Zoology gave lot of career options to the students interested to take up Zoology as their subject of study. This programme enhanced their views on the subject and also helped students in understanding the wide scope of the subject.

Our students Satya Chandra Sagar, Pradeep Hegde and Dhanashree attended A national seminar on "future of Zoology" held on 23 and 24 January, 2014 at Queen's Mary College, Chennai. Under the guidance of Prof. Dr. P.U. Antony, they presented papers on Aves in the National seminar and bagged several prizes for their appreciable work.

The green army of Zoology department arranged for trekking on 26th January, 2014 to Munniswamybetta, located in Kanakpura. The students learnt about the diversity of Fauna in that particular area along with trekking.

A colloquium "SYNERGY" was held for students on 4th February, 2014 in JyothiNivascollege, Bangalore. This was a perfect platform for the students to exhibit their research papers. ShifaAhamed, Dhanashreekanago, Swapna Lawrence, Satya Chandra Sagar, Shraveena won prizes for their work in pure science category.

A workshop was organized on 4th march, 2014 for the students on CPR (Cardio pulmonary resuscitation), use and principles of Stethoscope, Sphygmometer and Glucometer. This workshop was scheduled from 2pm to and went on till 5:30 pm. The workshop provided the basic ideas and knowledge on the above mentioned instruments.



MATHEMATICS

Department of Mathematics in Christ University offers good opportunities and programmes that the students need to establish themselves.

One of the first program conducted by the department was the Journal Club introduced by Dr. Sangeetha George in the month of July 2013 which motivated the students to bring into discussion any new concept which relates to Mathematics and helps to learn something about it every week. Students worked on a research article "four Color theorems of Planar graphs" in Graph theory ably assisted by Dr. Mayamma Joseph and the process included referencing from web source and graph theory subject books. S Arun Kumar, faculty member and research scholar published his paper on Fluid Mechanics in January 2014.

Dr. Chaudham (IIT Madras), talked to the students on Graph theory. This guest-lecture was in the month of February and he spoke on "the root to research on Hamiltonian Cycles". The interactive session found the students being enthusiastic and inquisitive and trying to find out more about the subject. On



March 5 2014, the entire PG department campaigned in Govindapuram in Hoskote taluk and the surrounding villages on issues like health, wealth and education.

The Mathematics department hosted the National Seminar from March 14-15 2014. All undergraduate and PG students attended the seminar, besides delegates from different colleges of the city and other states in India. The theme of this year's seminar was "Emerging Trends in Fluid Mechanics."

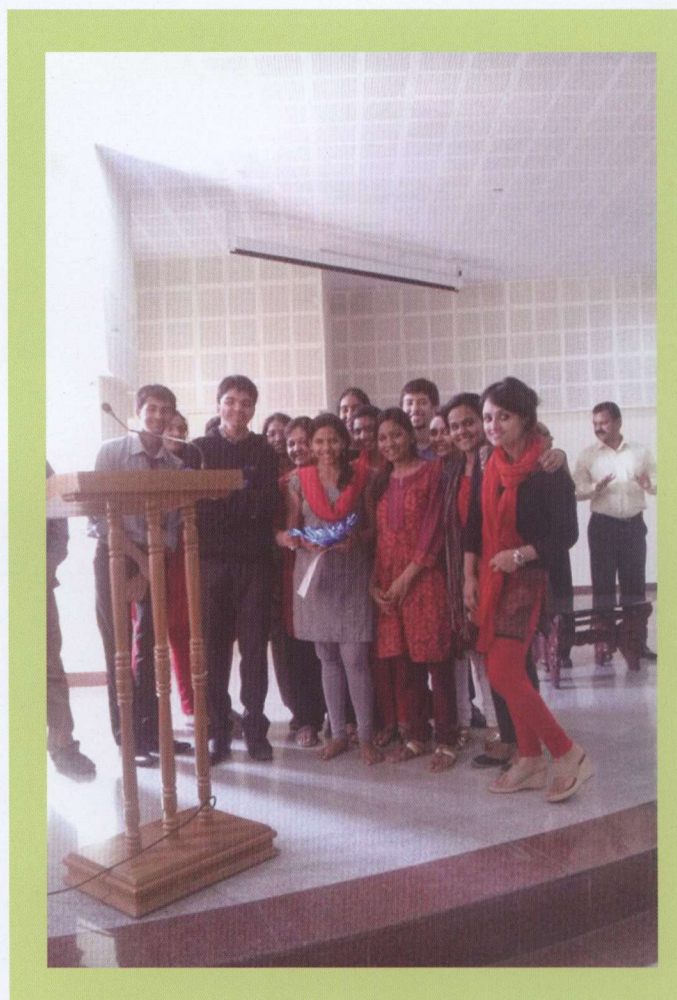
STATISTICS

The department organized an industry visit, on National Statistics day, on 29 June. The students and faculty visited the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) and participated in all the events organized by them and they also got an opportunity to listen to the discussions by leading statisticians.

The department of Statistics organized their annual inter-collegiate fest 'Inference' on 27 August, 2013 at sky view, central block. They had events like lecture contest, quiz, data analysis and so on. This was a forum for students to shape their statistical talent and awareness. Students from Christ University were the winner of this fest.

'Moments' an inter-class fest was organized for the first time in the month of February, 2014. The first, second and third year CMS and EMS classes participated in this fest. The department also participated in career fair and project exhibitions which were a part of the department of Science.

Besides the fests, the department also organized several other activities to engage and improve the knowledge of the students in the field of statistics. They had invited several guest lecturers who are prominent people from the field of statistics who educated the students with practical knowledge, like Professor Padmavathi Madhavan, Professor Mahendra Davangere and Mr. Dennis Nixon Miller. They also organized several workshops to benefit the students.



ELECTRONICS

The academic year 2013-14 was full of student-oriented activities for the department of Electronics

- The Electronics Club of the Dept. was inaugurated with "i2R - An Exhibition of Electronic Gadget & Computer Hardware" on 5 July 2013
- Circuit- Intercollegiate Electronics meet was conducted on 27 August 2013 where 120 students participated.



- Industry Visits for final year students were organized to ISRO, Bangalore in the months of July and August 2013 and Karnataka Hybrid Micro Devices (KHMD) Pvt Ltd., Electronics City in the months of November 2013 and Feb 2014 for final year PME & CME students separately.

- Electronics Alumni Association Meeting was organized on 26 Jan 2014 where 55 students participated and Mr. Sunil John was elected as president and Mr. Vinu Narayan as Secretary for the association.

- A Seminar on 'Robotics' was organized on 22 Nov. 2013 by Mr. Harsha G N, from Silicon Education World Pvt Ltd (Corporate Finishing School, Silicon Labs), Bangalore.

- A Seminar on 'the Importance of Staying Current with the Technology' was organized on 20 August 2013 by Industry experts Ms. Sujata M S and Mr. Mansur Ali Khan, Vasundara Automation and Engineering services Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore.

- A Workshop on 'PCB design & Fabrication' by S.P Laboratories was organised on 6th Dec 2013

- A Guest Lecture on 'Green collar jobs- Renewable Energy sector' was organized with the Industry expert Mr. Sunil Kumar of Tharanthi Integrating Technology Pvt. Ltd on 27 August 2013

- A special Lecture on 'career opportunities in Electronics' by Electronics Alumnus - Mr. Vinu Narayan was organized on 1 Feb 2014 in connection with E-junction 2014



- A unique programme, Tool Learning Workshop for Students was organized on 5 December 2013 in association with Integrated Services and Consultancy (ISC), Bangalore. This programme aimed at providing the necessary practical skills to the students in handling the latest Electronic Equipments, like Digital Storage Oscilloscopes, universal programmer etc. in the laboratory.

- Students' actively participated in other college fests. They were Overall champions in St. Joseph's College Electronics Fest- Shock-14. They Participated and presented paper in the National Science Conference conducted by Jyothi Nivas College.

- E-junction an Inter class Electronics fest was organised by Electronics Club on 1 Feb 2014

- i2R-An awareness campaign on 'e-waste and its management' was conducted on 14 Feb 2014

- The Electronics Club organized Annual Project Exhibition by Final Year PME & CME Students on 3 March 2014

- The Dept. organized a Lecture workshop with Physics Dept in association with JNCASR, Bangalore on 25 & 27 Feb 2014.



COMPUTER SCIENCE

The department of Computer Science & IT, in association with ASCII (Association of students of computer science and IT) has displayed phenomenal efforts toward creating a conducive platform that facilitates applied learning at its best. Over the last year, their agenda of events has drawn pragmatic ideas and honed the student community's potential to the fullest. The academic year began with the inauguration of ASCII on June 20, 2013. Dr. Iven Jose from the department of ECE (Electronics & Communication Engineering) graced the occasion and enlightened the gathering on the essence and need of Christ University's Vision "Service and Excellence" in view of the academic year that was yet to unfold.

ASCII conducted several successful events, all of which witnessed favourable participation among the students.

The first event, 'Web Wars', was held on July 15, 2013 and it witnessed six adept teams demonstrate their skills in building a functioning "front-end" for ASCII's Website design. The teams



were assessed based on content, aesthetic value, design, accessibility and their brief oral demonstration of the idea and its authenticity. Aditya Damodaran of seventh Semester BTechCSE won the event and team Aakriti and Adarsh of third Semester BTechCSE secured the second position.

Following Web Wars, 18 teams participated in a Code-Debugging event organized on July 20. The second round of this event was held on July 22. A Treasure Hunt competition was also organized on July 29. Yet again, six teams participated to fight the ultimate battle and claim their prize.

On August 16, 2013, the department was visited by Sudha Murthy, the Chairperson of the Infosys foundation. She enlightened the students with her insights based on her experience in the industry.

In an effort to deliberate congruous interaction between select industry personnel and the students, the department organized "technical talks" a series of guest lectures featuring topics like

wireless technology, machine learning and mobile app development etc. This platform drew several experts like Mr. LohithNagaraj (Telerik), Mr Senthil Kumar (Trivium-resolutions), Mr. V Ramani Kumar (Advisor, Technology Programs, Vimarshana Academy) and Mr. ArunRajkumar, (Microsoft Research scholar from IISC, Bangalore). The students also underwent workshops on the Java 2 Enterprise Edition and ethical hacking. The latter was a part of the "South-Asia hacking tour" an initiative by Delhi hack 2014 – a team from Sheffield Hallam University headed by Mr. Neil Richardson

In association with the Centre for Social Action, all faculty members and 20 student volunteers from the department paid a visit to a Rehabilitation and Care centre in Sumanahalli and spent the day with the inmates.

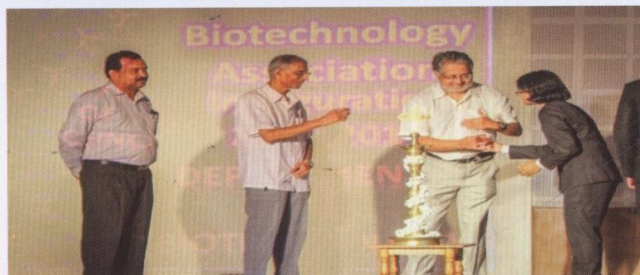
As the academic year drew to a close, in view of campus recruitments, a mock recruitment-screening test was held to validate the skill set of students in terms of communication, leadership, group dynamics and knowledge on subject. The screening also offered several pointers to re-shape student attitudes towards attaining a fruitful working environment for the future.

The PG students of Computer science department were busy with various events, workshops, seminars and exhibitions all year long. Softex-14, a national level IT Exhibition was held on 26 February 2014 for students to exhibit their innovative talents, broaden the spectrum of knowledge and provided a platform to share knowledge in the emerging technologies. The department also hosted a national conference on 'Emerging Trends in IT'. The conference showcased the achievements of the past and provided thought processes to set goals for accomplishment in the future. Two other main events held during the academic year was the Computer Hacking Public Lecture, themed - closing the crackers window of opportunity and a Quality improvement programme - Python Programming Concepts.

Undoubtedly, with its stellar academic rigor and talented proactive students, the CSE/IT department is truly a valuable asset to the University.



BIOTECHNOLOGY



This year Biotechnology Association was inaugurated on 25 July 2013. The association was headed by Dr. Louis George, HOD and Vasantha.V.L, the association staff coordinator. Mr. Karthik from Final year BCB was made the Secretary, Saranya Jayaram (3rd BSc) BCZ was made the Joint Secretary.

This association had organized various events like

Guest Lectures

25 July 2013	Dr. Ravi Nayar Center for Research, HCG	Basic Sciences of Oncology
19 Nov 2013	Dr. Justin V. McCarthy Principal Investigator, University College Cork Cork, Ireland	The development of transgenic animals as models for research and biotherapeutics
6 Feb 2014	Dr. Nandha Novo specialty surgery	Clinical Aspects of cancer
19 Feb 2014	Prof. Rajini Ramdas Christ University	Personality Development
28 Feb 2014	Dr. Yathindra Director IBAB	Computational Approach to Biological Macromolecules
	Dr. Kshithij Acharya Scientist IBAB	Career Opportunities in life Science
3 March 2014	Prof. Sondur Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology	Research Opportunities in Biofuels



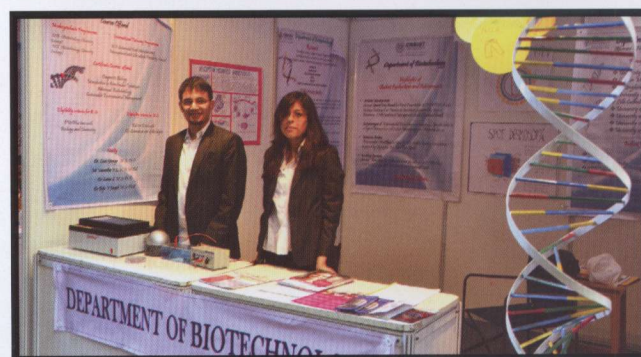
educated about some of the latest technology and laboratory equipments of Agriculture University. Students were introduced to current research in Dept of Biotechnology, Plant Physiology and Horticulture.

The Department organized the inter- collegiate fest Operon on 27 August 2013. Interesting events like Master Cracker, Synthesising Shakespeare, Techtoonning, Potpourri, Debate and Marketing Genius were organised.

They also organized a two days lecture workshop in association with Indian academy of Sciences on the theme of Advances in Biology. Eminent speakers from reputed institutions like IISc, NCBS, JNCARS addressed a gathering of 150 participants from different colleges around Bangalore. The News Letter Biolink was released by Vice Chancellor Fr. Dr. Thomas C.Mathew on same day

A Science Exhibition was conducted on 20 Dec 2013.

The Department had organized institutional visit to GANDHI KRISHI VIGNYAN KENDRA (GKVK), also called University of Agricultural Sciences on 29th July, 2013 the students were



ENGINEERING (CUFE)

Department of Civil Engineering



Department of Civil Engineering conducted a workshop on February 2nd 2013 on Environmental science and technology. The workshop witnessed 85 participants. The highlight of the workshop was the lectures delivered by the professors from IISC. The next workshops by the department were on Concrete Mix Design which had around 73 participants and on Design, Fabrication and Testing of Bridges. They were organized jointly by CUFE and Ultra Tech Cement Ltd on June and August respectively. The Talk on Market Scenario in Built Environment-Real Estate, Construction & infrastructure was on December 2nd which witnessed around 73 participants. The talk by Ms. Monalisa Mallick, Deputy Head-Partnership, and Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors was inspiring and the interactive session saw enthusiastic participation.



Department Electronics and Communication Engineering

A workshop LabVIEW was conducted by National Instruments. The first batch of training was dedicated for the faculties and the following two sessions for students. Workshop was planned on a wide spectrum and was intended to help people from all streams of engineering. First day session focused elaborately on LabVIEW as a programming tool and second day session was on

MyDAQ and the different toolkits available in LabVIEW. **CUESTIC 2013** the association was formed with the aim of providing a platform for the students to create technical awareness and to generate interest in the core fields of Electrical & Electronics Engineering and Electronics and Communication Engineering. Association inauguration for the academic year 2013-14 was done by Dr. Sudarshan Rao, Vice President, Sixth Energy Technologies Pvt Ltd, Bangalore. A **Technical Talk** - Latest trends on Mobile Communications was organised to develop the culture of research in the students and the faculty members. Different technical talks in thrust areas of Engineering were arranged. A series of Talk were organized by various technical experts like Dr. Sudarshan Rao, Vice President, Sixth Energy Technologies Pvt Ltd, Bangalore, and Mr. Ramani Kumar, Director, Vimarshana Academy of Learning, Bangalore. To access wide range of institution across the world, the University has exchange programme and credit transfer models. A team of students and faculties from the University of Arkansas visited Christ University Faculty of Engineering. The students of both universities formed groups and explored the methodology of learning skills, technical skills and to know each other on the cultural front. Awareness session on Rapid RMA and Willert was an awareness session on Rapid RMA and Willert for the faculty members. Source Code is an intradepartmental fest conducted by the CUESTIC. The aim of the program was to give students an open platform to express their interests and exhibit their talents. Dr. Abraham George, Group Manager, RF system Design Division, National Instruments, Bangalore spoke to the students. A Workshop - Industrial Automation was organised to enable the student to gain hands on experience. Another industrial automation workshop was conducted in PLCs (Programmable Logic Controllers). It was a 16 hour workshop hosted by HORIZON, a reputed agency in the field of Automation design. All the participants were awarded participation certificates and five students who excelled were given certificate of merit. Volunteers of CSA from the Department of ECE and EEE were taken to St. Joseph Nivas, a school for physically and mentally challenged, near Bannerghatta road. There were Industrial Visits to Ampere Electric, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore and ISRO, HAL Airport road, Bangalore. A Project Exhibition to encourage the students to explore and experience the new horizons in the field of technological advancements was organized. Students from all the semesters came up with different projects.

Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering – Kengeri campus started the year with an activity for the Centre for Social Action which included an interactive session with the differently abled children at St. Joseph's Niwas, Chikka Kammnahalli in the month of September 2013. Another event to take place in the same month of the academic year of 2013-2014 was the guest lecture by Mr Manivannam, who is the former director of BESCOM. The talk was on the 'Future prospects in the energy sector' and was attended by a total of 42 students.

The department also saw another guest lecture by Mr M.R.Srinivas, an Edison Expert of Schneider Electric. The talk was on the 'Influence of harmonics on energy efficiency and reliability' and was a part of the international business sector. The electrical engineering students even underwent a QIP for three days under Academic Staff College to understand the functioning and design of (a) Stand-alone PV systems (b) Grid connected PV systems which was demonstrated with ECOSENSE Appliances. During the QIP the application of ETAP software to power system problems like power flow solution and short circuit studies were also analysed.

Department of Mechanical Engineering

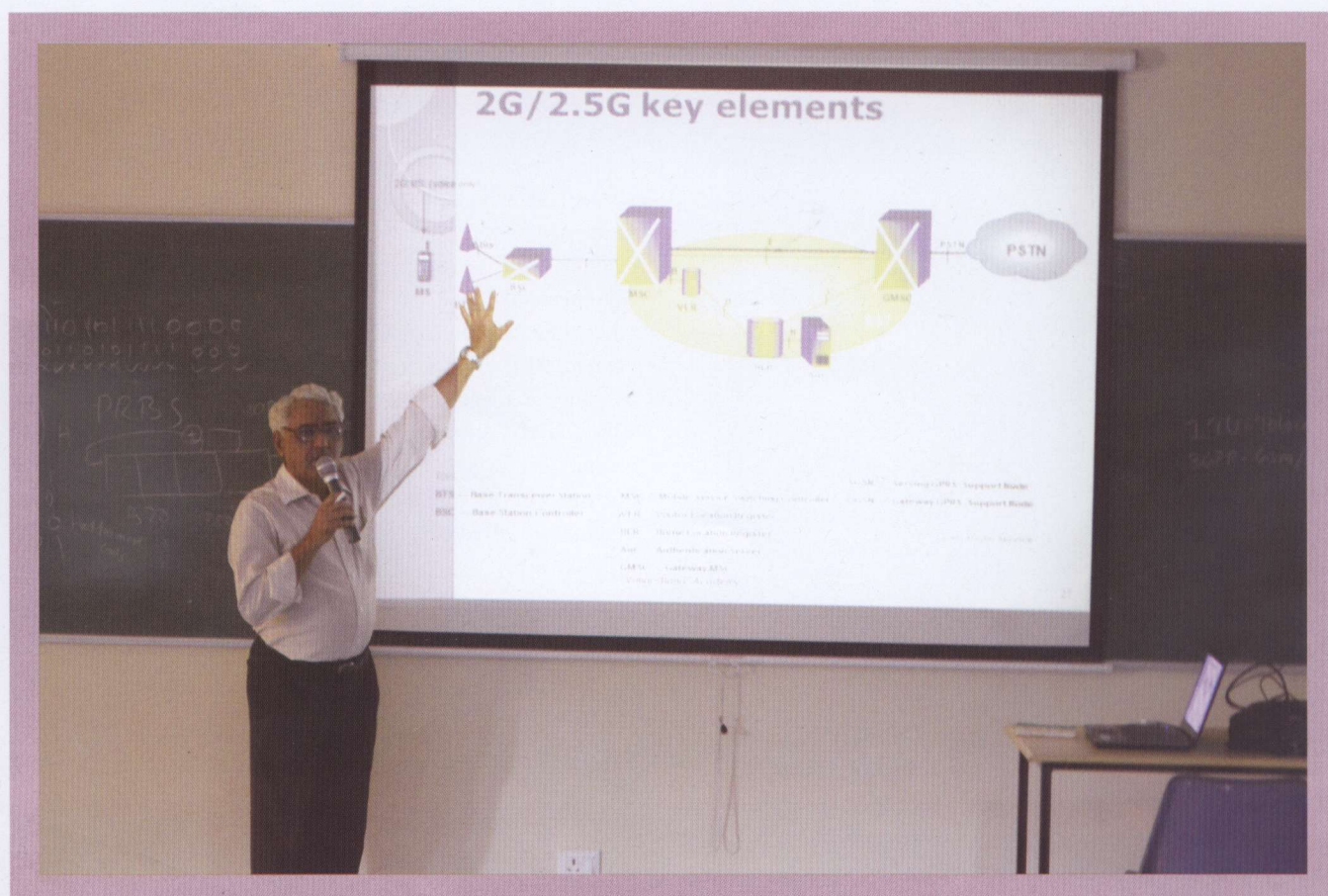
The academic year of 2013-2014 has been one that has kept the mechanical engineering students on their toes. The year filled with events, seminars and programs has not only engaged but also pushed the students towards new avenues and learning.

The year began with a joint venture by Christ University and FESTO to bring on board Mechatronics and Industrial Automation engineering systems for training and education. In this venture a 'Centre of Excellence' for industrial Automation and engineering was set up at the Kengeri campus to provide students, industrial persons and others with the opportunity to receive state of the art training and practice in Automation and Mechatronics.

In June 2013 the department organized the "Academia Industry Conclave" on the occasion of inauguration of Mechanical Association of Christites (MAC). The function started at 9.15 am with a Promo video on the Department, followed by the inauguration. After which the new office bearers were announced along with the plan and vision for the year. The prestigious events saw the presence of Chief, Corporate R&D, BHEL Dr. R.N.Das, Chief Advisor, C-STEP Dr. R.Krishnan, Prof. Mechanical Engg, Iisc Dr. Satish Kailas and Managing Director, VIPRA LTD and Dr A.L. Sashi Mohan.

The students also had the opportunity to attend various guest lectures and seminars through the year on varied topics like – "India's Space Mission and Challenges to Material Scientists" by Director of Materials & Metallurgy Group Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, ISRO, Dr. S.C. Sharma, "Machining of ceramics" conducted by Dr P. K. Das, Head-Non oxide and Composite Division, National Glass and Ceramic Institute, Culcutta, "Introduction to Jet Engine Materials and Coating" by Advanced Repairs Program Leader, General Electric Company, Aircraft Engine Services, USA, Dr. N. Murali Madhava, "Gas Turbine Simulations", "Industrial Ceramics" and other such stimulating topics

The students of this department are enthusiastic to not only gain knowledge but also gain as much exposure as they can in their chosen field of mechanical engineering. The department with its drive for performance is certainly moving forward with the vision of 'Excellence and Service' in mind.



SCHOOL OF LAW

De Novo 2013: A New Beginning was a function conducted by the 2nd years of the School of Law, Christ University (SLCU) with the joint support of Cultural Committee, SLCU. The basic intent of the program was to officially welcome the new batch (2013-2018) of SLCU



The Management Committee arranged industrial visit to Printers Press Mysore Ltd. (Deccan Herald). They also arranged a Corporate Interface in July 2013. The Chairman of Ruchi Industries, Indore addressed the students.

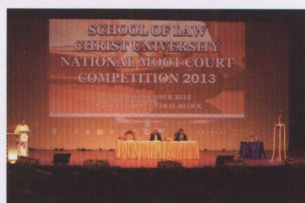
A Workshop on Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanisms was conducted on 21st September 2013 by the ADR Board, SLCU with 'Law & Options,' Bangalore. The 4th National Moot Court Competition on Constitutional Law was conducted in September 2013.

A mega theatre production of Shakespeare's play 'Othello' was staged in December 2013.

The Annual Parliamentary Debate Tournament at the University level was held from the 14th- 17th of February 2013

School of Law, Christ University organised Orientation Programme on the Constitution of India for the entire Christ University in this campus as well as in Kengeri Campus. Students prepared skits and small lectures on different topics. There was a panel discussion bringing out the nuances and the importance of the constitution. Model Parliament was also held depicting the passing of a law in Parliament.

IRFPC successfully organized the Second Edition of School of Law, Christ University Model United Nations 2014. The MUN was organized from January 31 to February 2, 2014.



The SLCU MUN 2014 witnessed three consecutive days of rigorous deliberations and discussions on the agendas that their respective councils proposed to argue upon. The Delegates were able to inculcate and hone skills such as diplomacy and the art of



peaceful negotiation, understanding and analyzing foreign policies, respect for the need of international cooperation, good communication and research skills, policy drafting and the like.

The MUN have seen the participation of over 150 students from all over India and countries like Bahrain, China, Ghana, Hungary, Norway, Russia and Taiwan.

A National Conference on the Changing Role of the Media in India: Constitutional Perspectives was held on 28th February and 1st March 2014. The Conference received 295 abstracts from all

across the country. A total of 152 papers were selected for presentation at the conference which was attended by 260 presenters and participants, which included academicians, practicing advocates and students from various law colleges in India. The Conference commenced on 28th February with a formal inaugural function with Hon'ble Mr. Justice H Billapa, Judge, High Court of Karnataka as the Chief Guest, Mr. Ramakrishna Srinivasan, Managing Partner, Studio Krish delivered the key note address and Rev. Fr. Benny Thomas, Director, School of Law gave the Inaugural Address. The sessions were presided over by a diverse panel of 56 moderators who have a substantial amount of expertise in the field relating to constitutional law, media law, legal reporting, and media studies.

The Advanced Criminal Law Studies Committee successfully organized the First SLCU Trial Advocacy Competition from



A Guest Lecture was held on 10.01.14: Mrs. Marini De Livera, Professor at APIIT University, Colombo, Sri Lanka interacted with the students of the final semester Undergraduate students on Human Rights based Challenges in Sri Lanka and shared her experiences as an Human Rights attorney and activist for the past two decades.

Dr. V.S. Elizabeth, Professor, NLSIU, Bangalore and Dr. Anil B. Suraj, Professor, IIM, Bangalore addressed all the students and faculty of the School of Law, Christ University on the occasion of the Human Rights Day. Dr. Elizabeth spoke on "Human Rights of Women - Access to and enforcement of the same", and Dr. Suraj spoke on "The Human Right to access justice", followed by an interaction with the students.

A lecture by Ms Madhumita Kothari on International Commercial Arbitration was organized for the benefit of the students on 13th February 2014 at the Main Auditorium.

A lecture by Dr Saligram Bhatt, Adjunct Professor from NALSAR University of Hyderabad was organized on 'Water resources laws as vital part of environment law for world society' on 3rd and 4th March 2014 at Sky view for students.

SLCU were Winners at INVICTA 2014 WB National University of Juridical Science



The students were Winners of the 8th S P Sathe Memorial Moot Court Competition. They won the Best Advocate Award at the 8th S P Sathe Memorial Moot Court Competition, were winners of the 3rd Amity International Moot Court Competition, 2013 and winners of the 1st KIIT National Moot Court Competition 2013. They also received Shri. S. A Deshmukh Award for Best Mooter at the 13th M.P. Law College Moot Court Competition, 2013, Manikchand Pahade Award for Best Speaker and 13th M.P. Law College Moot Court Competition, 2013. Fourth Best Memorandum, Asia-Pacific Regional Rounds, Manfred Lachs



Space Law Moot Competition, 2013 and they were winners, 3rd M.K. Nambyar Memorial Moot Court Competition, 2013.



They got Best Delegate Prize at the Rotary Indian International Model United Nations, Pune, Maharashtra held between 10th-12th January, 2014.



The team of Maria Madhanikka Victor, Rishabh Raj and Harshdeep Arora won the Amity International Criminal Moot Court Competition 2014. Maria Madhanikka was awarded Best speaker and was the recipient of a cash prize of Rs. 1,00,000 for "Best Advocate" sponsored by Mr.K.T.S.Tulsi. Rishabh Raj won Second Best Speaker at the moot.

School of Law Christ University also publishes the bi-annual Christ University Law Journal (CULJ) with ISSN 2278-4322. A peer reviewed academic publication; it seeks to facilitate greater interest and deeper insight into various fields of law among students, academicians and legal scholars. It provides space for discussion and comments on current legal issues and development.



CUIM is a differentiated B- School aimed at offering comprehensive post graduate management development tuned to the dynamic requirement of industry and society.

In the first year all candidates go through a formal socialization process 'Back to School', the intention being to transition them from outsiders to quickly embrace the Christ culture, making them insiders. They attend a three day 'Out Bound Training' to experience team work, trust, and get to understand, accept and value differences. The 'Organization Structure Training' allow the candidates to become familiar with working of the various functions and operations of management in a manufacturing firm. This experience gets them to break unrealistic or exaggerated expectations they may have about organizations. The art and science of management is appreciated by each one reviewing and presenting management related 'Book Reviews'. The 'Theater' workshop stimulates the creative child and aids in expression of feelings and emotions and allows them to experiment. The 'Industry Visits' help them understand and apply classroom content in reality. The "Psychometric profile" provides insights to candidates to pick the right specializations and the sector to work. It allows them to look at job-person and person-organization fits.

In the second year, all candidates underwent eight weeks of 'Summer Internship Programs' in specific organisations. This encounter radically altered their thinking, feeling and behaviours toward corporate expectations. The students also go through a complex and challenging simulation game to apply their skills and team work in general management, leveraging their learned specializations for decision-making, strategy and other functional areas by top trainers using video based medium. All candidates attended more than six workshops to enhance skills such as Excel, negotiation, neuro-linguistic programming, SPSS, SAP training, training undergraduate and post graduate students for life skills allowing them hands-on-experience. Each specialization offers specific functional skills training to be industry ready and employable. Around 120 organizations have visited and selected candidates for final placements.

The pedagogy continuously aims at adopting the latest technology in the teaching-learning process including Learning Management Systems, Flipped Classrooms, Co-teaching and Joint-teaching and Digital Learning which significantly enhances students' learning capabilities

The Institute organized various Conferences, one Case conference – Cognosco, student research paper presentation, Entrepreneurship workshops and training and a research methodology workshop for all second year students to engage in meaningful research in completing their dissertation more systematically. The 'Entrepreneurship cell' of the institute organized workshops for women entrepreneur in association with Google. 10 candidates from the institute are aided the Incubation Center. An Inter- departmental entrepreneur

competition 'Manthan' was conducted to promote entrepreneurship.

The co-curricular activities include the Club activity specialization wise to enhance functional skills and interact with the best from the industry to keep in touch with the latest. The Institute publishes for private circulation 12 newsletters specialization wise and clubs including 2 campus newsletters. Corporate interfaces and invited lectures are organized for candidates to transit them smoothly from the academic to a corporate sensitivity. More than 150 corporate professionals have visited the institute for training, student interface and engage in special sessions. 'Ushus' & 'Chrizzellenz' are two national level management events that have more than 80 B-Schools participating and competing for the top honours. Extracurricular activities of the institute include 'Altius' an interclass sports and games event, 'Cantata' family day of the Institute. The Institute bagged the third place in inter deanery level at 'Blossoms' the University cultural, literary fest.

Christ University Institute of Management offers two internationally linked programmes:

1. MBA awarded by Christ University, India and MS in Business awarded by Virginia Commonwealth University, USA through transfer of credit
2. PGDM awarded by Christ University, India and MBA awarded by University of Applied Sciences, Wurzburg-Schweinfurt, Germany through transfer of credits.

Christ University Institute of Management – Finance

One of the most sought after specialization is Finance. Over the past few years, this specialization is successful in turning out highly corporate compatible candidates.

During the academic year 2013-14 an optional add-on course was conducted by the Finance Group for the senior finance students on 'Management of Small and Medium Enterprises' in which 80 students participated. Skill based SAS training program of around 40 hours duration was conducted in which around 60 students from Finance and Lean Operations and Systems participated. A workshop on 'Financial Modelling using Excel' was conducted for a duration of 10 hours for all the Junior Finance students. The students of the Finance group periodically publish three newsletters 'Chaanakya', 'Nishka' and 'Symbiont' each one with a different focus and circulate 'Economic Numbers' every fortnight to encourage students in knowing important economic parameters





which impact the markets. This enables them to keep their fingers on the pulse of financial markets at all times.

The students are exposed to corporate developments by inviting executives from Schneider Electric, Wipro, Income Tax Department, Govt of India, Oracle, Citi Group, Fed Reserve of Richmond, State of Virginia, US, ING Vysya Bank etc. These



executives gave different perspectives of the important areas they are handling in the corporate domain which includes Data Analytics, Corporate Finance, Credit Appraisal techniques in banking, Monetary Policy, IT matters from the IT department perspective etc. Students were also exposed to 'career prospects in the area of finance' and the skills that are necessary to become employable. In all the finance group students had 26 such exposures apart from the class room sessions.

The finance faculty is actively engaged in preparing videos using CCD (Centre for Concept Design) facility of the University in the area of 'Accounting for Managers', to be used by all the MBA students.



Christ University Institute of Management - Marketing

The focus of the marketing department for the academic year 2013-2014 was on course quality improvement & student experiential learning. COGNOSCO – National level Case study conference was conducted in August 2013, which gave the opportunity to students to test their ability to design a case study among national participants. This occasion was graced by Prof Srinivasan from IIM, Bangalore as the Chief Guest

The major thrust area was on programs related to student empowerment and soft skills enhancement programmes. Some of the programmes conducted include: workshops on Applying Business Strategy, SPSS & Technology Marketing, and Sessions on Pricing Decisions & Segmentation using Harvard simulation. It also included Level 4 certification courses on Retail Domain Skill Training and live projects.

As part of the Marketing Club initiative, nine corporate interfaces were conducted where heads from diverse industries shared their knowledge. Marketing alumni meet was also conducted with the objective of connecting the alumni with the present batch of students.

The marketing department publishes Newsletters - 'Horizon Times' and 'Mask' which are conceptualised, designed and delivered by marketing students

The outcome of all the above activities is converting the students to marketing savvy professionals ready to take on market challenges

Christ University Institute of Management - Lean Operations and Systems

This specialization in its fifth year, has been a witness to rapid growth, with a high acceptance from the corporate sector.

As an initiative towards establishing an enhanced level of Industry-Institution information interchange, corporate interface sessions were organized for LOS students. These sessions handled by industry experts from organizations such as

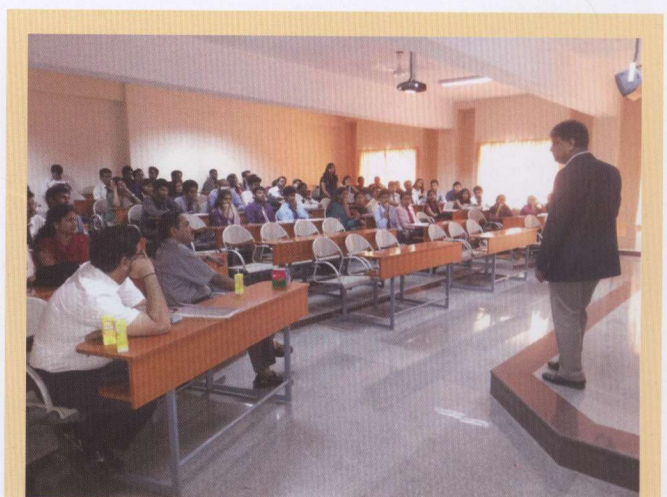


Photo: Corporate Interface session for LOS students

Oracle, Wipro, and Volvo and information shared by entrepreneurs and other consultants provided students with a better industry perspective. The sessions highlighted approaches such as Lean, methodology for software product development, processes related to Quality, techniques from analytical perspective, and tools for project management such as Primavera. A panel discussion on IT outsourcing marked the final corporate interface session for the second year students and the commencement of Corporate Interface for the junior students of LOS.

Quality circle for 2013-14 was inaugurated on 21 June 2013 through collaboration with QCFI. The initiative gained momentum through the various projects done by the student groups of LOS which culminated in a final presentation competition. The best Quality circle project was identified through an evaluation process by a panel of experts.



Photo: Inauguration of Quality circle for the academic year 2013-14

A National Conference BIZEX 2014 with the theme 'Business Excellence through Information Systems' was coordinated by LOS and held on 8th March 2014. The conference highlighted how Information Systems contribute to achieving excellence in business processes and business functions. The Chief guest, Prof. S. Sadagopan of IIB set the tone for the conference by highlighting the role of information systems in various industrial sectors such as Airlines, Banking, and other Services. A total of 47 papers from academicians, research scholars, students, and practitioners in the areas of Operations & Systems, Finance, Human Resources, and Marketing were received. The best among the presented papers were given awards.



Photo: Inauguration of the National Conference BIZEX 2014 (8th March 2014)



Photo-shoot during the National Conference (BIZEX 2014) at Kengeri campus

Industrial visits enable students to witness a practical view of the concepts learned. During the academic year 2013-14, industrial visits to organizations such as Bangalore Dairy, Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Ltd., BOSCH, etc. were organized for LOS students to enable them have a higher level of industry exposure.

Various training sessions / workshops were organized for the students which included training on Microsoft Excel, and Six Sigma methodology. Training on SAP navigation was organized for faculty across specializations of CUIM. This SAP training was handled by SAP's training partner to facilitate faculty members in having an enhanced perception of usage of SAP in their respective domains.



Photo: Advanced Excel Workshop conducted on 21 and 22 Feb 2014

Newsletters such as SIGMA and Udbhava from LOS serve as a key medium for sharing of information and knowledge. This dimension of activity exhibited student involvement, enriching content, and refinements as part of continuous improvement during the academic year.

Photo: Winner of Quiz (Feb '14 S I G M A newsletter) receiving the award



Christ University Institute of Management - OB and HRM

With the advent of new techniques in the field of Organisation Behaviour and Human Relations Management, CUIM has brought in substantial changes in the pedagogy to keep in tune with the modern requirement. As a consequence, students acquire the latest methodology in this field, making them highly acceptable by the industry.

The students were oriented to research and APA format and completed their dissertation on varied OB and HRM topics. Faculty members jointly taught a few sessions to students giving them a multi perspective of a single case or topic.



Corporate interface - a weekly event scheduled every Friday saw many senior Human Resource executives interacting with future HR managers. This not only inspired the young HR students but also got them in touch with the ground realities of the HR function in the workplace. Some of the noteworthy sessions for this year were interactions with DrAparnaBhoj from Cognizant, Ms Sunita Ravi from NHRD, and Mr Jai Narayan from Tata Elxsi. Many HR consultants, OD interventionists, Training professionals, recruitment managers and labour law experts were invited to share their experiences and motivate students to look at these functions more critically.



The training and workshops for students are aimed to equip them with specific skills which will enhance their employability. The first year students were given training specifically on Summer Internship. Basic facilitation skills and competency mapping were two certificate courses offered to senior HR students. The other training included faculty from Psychology department on stress management - Dr R L Nandishwar on latest HR trends and Ms Rose Kavitha on leadership. The senior and junior students

identified, developed training modules and engaged in training undergraduate students and PU residential students of Christ University



The HR students continue to publish the newsletter 'FORTE', every trimester which gives an insight to current trends. Students also run a blog which is updated every fortnight.



The team of senior and junior students participated and won many regional and national level HR competitions. They won the first place in NHRD initiative Case Competition, SIP Project Mela etc. HR Alumni meet was organized by the department. Around 30 Alumni gave valuable suggestions and feedback on curricula and programs of the department.



Christ University Institute of Management - General Management

MBA in General Management is the latest initiative of Christ University Institute of Management which is the fifth specialization offered from 2013. The year has witnessed plenty of events offered by the department. Organization structure training conducted with an objective of fostering experiential learning, was the first in the array. A three tier competition which enabled the students to get acquainted with the functioning of the organization was the first platform for them to interact with the real corporate world irrespective of their background. The book review competition was another opportunity given to the students with an intention to inculcate the reading habits and improvise on their critical analysis.

Building team spirit, self-confidence and determination were the key objectives of the two-day out-bound training program held in the months of June and July. The adventurous activities involved also helped the students to develop a positive attitude towards risk-taking.

Corporate interface is another opportunity during which the students get to interact with executives with various levels of expertise. The deliberations and the open discussion sessions provide them with a flavour of the latest trends in the industry and the job market, tips to prepare them to fit into the ever-dynamic corporate world. The interaction with Nandan Nilekani, an entrepreneur turned bureaucrat and politician was one of the most enriching sessions among them. Mittu Chandilya, CEO, Air Asia India, Parameswaran Sivalingam, CEO, GMR-Group, George Selvam, Founder & Chairman, 5E serpraise, Jubin Mishra, Vice President, Accenture, Anup Khanna, Vice President, Appnomic Systems Pvt Limited were some of the prominent leaders who were on the campus interacting with the students during the this academic year.

Specialization Club is yet another initiative by the students. The General Management club came to existence in the month of November. Dr. Charles M. Savage, President and Mentor, Knowledge Era Enterprising International, inaugurated the club. The activities of the club varied from the workshops on various analytics techniques and software, to quiz and aptitude tests and corporate interfaces. The students had opportunities to interact with experts from various levels of business and understand the career opportunities and challenges. Sandeep Singh, Deputy Managing Director and COO, Toyota Kirloskar was one of the prominent speakers visited the campus this year. Jagannath from IT, Bikramadhitya from Investment Banking are a few among the other professionals who addressed the students as part of the club activities. A panel discussion also was conducted on various aspects of Banking in February.

Simulation program on cross functional decision making is another remarkable initiative to equip the students with a more

realistic picture of the business world. Each student goes through a two-day extensive training which provides them with hands-on exposure to the dynamism of decision making in a business. The program spanned across two weeks from the third week of February.

The aim of the General Management specialization is to incubate future managers with multi-functional capabilities so that as part of their future career, they shall be able to handle wider responsibilities and have a macro management perspective.





As the academic year 2013 – 2014 came to an end the department of Commerce has accomplished and achieved the various objectives it set forth for the benefit of its students. Both UG and PG departments organised numerous competitions and seminars to benefit its students to the best. The UG department with the Christ University Commerce Association had organised a host of activities on a weekly basis. Events on Entrepreneurship Development, Public Relations, Human Resources, Finance, Marketing, Quiz, Logo Slogan and Best Manager were conducted every Wednesday and Friday. Preliminary rounds were held at the class level following which the best teams were selected for the semi-finals and finals.

PRAYAS, the most celebrated National Level Commerce and Management Fest was organized this year with much challenge and enthusiasm. Mr. Sunil Rao, Google Country Head, Outreach Program was the Chief Guest at the inauguration. Top national and regional colleges like St. Xavier's-Kolkata, Lady Shri Ram College-Delhi, Symbiosis College of Arts and Commerce-Pune, St. Aloysius College-Mangalore, St. Joseph's College of Commerce- Bangalore, Centre for Management Studies-Bangalore had participated. St. Joseph's College of Commerce broke St. Xavier's two-year overall winning record when they were declared as Overall Winners.

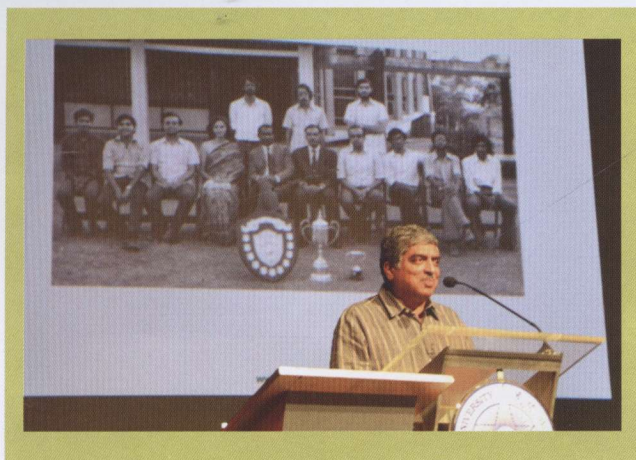
The students also actively participated and proved their merit at a number of national and regional Commerce and Management Fests organized by SRCC, Symbiosis College of Arts and



Commerce, St. Aloysius, St. Xavier's, CMS and SJCC. The students of Commerce department also emerged as overall winners at SRCC, JNC, New Horizon Commerce College, IBS, CMR and Kristu Jayanti College.

The Department along with the Christ University Faculty for Engineering organized Campus Connect- a one day event bringing together the students of both departments at the Kengeri Campus. This year witnessed 62 First year participations, 123 second year participations and 105 third year participations in 20 national and regional Commerce Fests.





The Department of Management Studies, one of the most energetic departments of the university, is lively, dynamic and bustling with activities. The department ensures its students and teachers with plenty of opportunities to learn, grow, master and emerge as confident individuals, thus aiming at the holistic development of all. The department encourages its students to take part in multiple beguiling and enthralling events and fests of the University, thus providing a forum to nurture holistically. The students also take part in various events across the country thus, ensuring a balance of academic rigor along with a substantial dose of extra-curricular activities. It thus, believes in truly making holistic managers and in this very attempt provides the students the best of experiences.

The Department of Management Studies organized and hosted an array of events and activities in 2013-14. The department in its pursuit of bringing the best out of the students established the Christ University Management Association (CUMA) in 1992. The CUMA Inauguration marks the official beginning of a new academic year for the Department. A calendar of events was released calling for the plan of action and decision making for the whole academic year. Fr. Abraham V.M graced the occasion as the chief guest.

The next event was the **LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT RETREAT**. This event involves a practice of rigorous training, thus aiming at empowering the future leaders of the Department of Management Studies. Another event organized by the BBM department was **VISTAS**. It is the first management fest conducted by the department. Organized by the first, second and third year students, Vistas is an intra-departmental ice-breaker which provides them with a forum that enables networking with each other, further to participate, explore their talents, skills and knowledge making the best use of the possibilities provided. The host of events in Vistas include Human Resources, Marketing, Wealth Management, Business Quiz, Venn, Public Relations, and The Strategist. This year, the theme of Vista was "Production House", focusing on the idea of a grand movie production. Mr. Chippy Gangee, was the chief guest for the valedictory of this event.

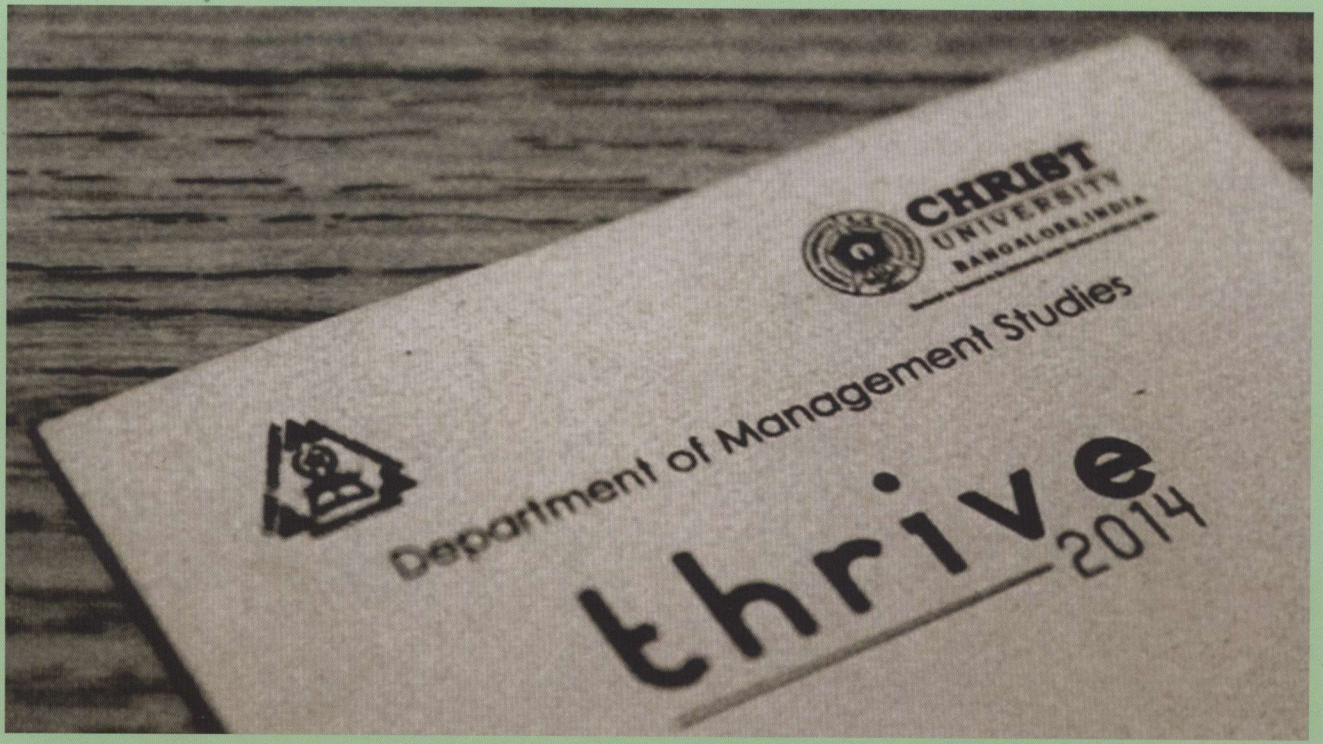
ESPRIT was the next event of the BBM department. It is the last management fest conducted by the core committee before handing over the responsibilities to the juniors. An International Inter-collegiate management fest, Esprit is the best forum to prove one's potential and capabilities. This year, the theme of Esprit was "The Fourth Dimension" which reflected the existence of numerous parallel universes. More than 26 colleges participated in this fest making it a grand success. St. Josephs College of Commerce emerged as the champions of the event.

The next one was **ARTHAYUDH**, which was held in November for two days. This year the theme was Building empires. With twelve participating colleges and 7 events, Arthayudh proved to be a challenging ground for the participants across nation.

BLOSSOMS the cultural fest of the University, is conducted to bring out the talents of the students. Blossom is a blend of music, art, dance, literature, and a whole lot of other fun, on both organizing as well as participating fronts. And this department



has always been branded as the most enthusiastic bunch with 100% participation with the strength of 1300 odd students. Rangoli, pot painting, Indian dance, western electrics, are to name a few events that witnessed the great talents and spirits of the students this year. **Thrive 2013-14** took place on 17 February 2014. The Christ University Management Association (CUMA) of the Department of Management Studies, organizes an annual undergraduate intra department management fest called "*The Word of Honor -Thrive*." As the name suggests, 'Word of Honor' is a verbal commitment that one has to stick to in all situations. It thus, aims at the purpose of developing well-groomed and holistically developed managers to meet the expectations of this fast paced world of constant innovation. The fest lasted for 2 weeks aiming to assess the development of participants in the domains of their choice and ended with a bang witnessing an outpour of creative thinking and innovative orientation.



The **National Conference on Emerging Trends in Business**, is a highly research oriented learning process. The NCETB is held every year, spanning over a course of two days and this academic year it was held on 12 and 13 December. The events aims at providing researchers and scholars from across the country with a common ground, forum or platform to present and exchange ideas, views and research findings, thus providing valuable insights into the emerging trends of business in the areas of General Management, Human Resource Management, Marketing Management and Finance.

This year however saw an overwhelming response with numerous paper presentations together with the presence of a multiple resource persons, academicians, corporates and students actively participating, thus, ensuring the outstanding success of this National Conference on Emerging Trends in Business. Best Paper certificates were awarded to the delegates

and Panel discussions were held over the two days paving the ways for discussion on a variety of subjects.

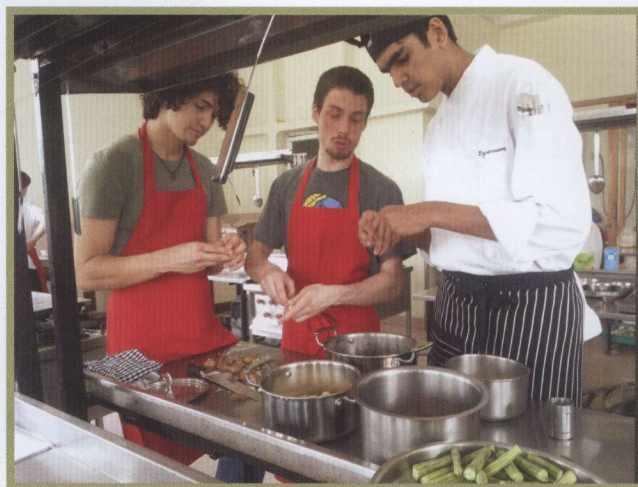
The Conference was graced by Dr. Leena James, Dr. Srinivasan, Prof. Suresh B along with the joint effort of a well-represented and balanced Core Committee & Organizing Committee comprising of students across all three years of the Undergraduate Management Degrees and Postgraduate Degree of 'Master of Financial Management' handled the entire logistics of the Conference from Conception to Execution through the guided support of Dr. Jain Mathew, HOD Department of Management Studies & Conference Coordinator. The department of BBM is a highly spirited and enthusiastic department which gives a lot of prominence to events and other co-curriculum activities, thus standing true to the university's core values, principles and ideals.



HOTEL MANAGEMENT



The Department of Hotel Management started off with the Back to basics and cooking class for the freshers. There were also programs on Wine tasting. The first year orientation was followed by the Guru Freddy Camp, a visit to Milky Mist and Britannia factory and a workshop on Tandoori Cuisine/Hands on for the students. Two talks on Food Communication and wine trends & marketing was followed soon by workshops on varied topics like Wine on the one hand and Writing Skills on the other. This was later followed by a visit to an Organic restaurant and a discussion with Dr Kim. A series of assessments and Guest lectures were conducted by the department soon after. Two certification programmes were conducted by



The students were exposed to sessions on Italian Experiential Dinner, "Two leaf & a bud" - Workshop on Tea, Hyderabad Culinary workshop, Cake mixing ceremony and Experiential Chinese lunch and tour of the kitchen. The students were also

listeners to illuminating talks given by personnel from St.Olaf College, USA, UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES, WURZBURG-SCHWEINFURT, GERMANY and UNISG, University of Gastronomic science and University of Paris. On the whole it was a very fulfilling year for the department.



Ecolab for the students: one on Safe Steps and the other on Launder Care. There was a talk on Security Management in Hotels followed by a series of lecture demonstrations on Bengali cuisine and Goan cuisine. Christ University Department of Hotel Management was the preferred venue for a shoot on Regional Indian food and wine pairing by Discovery Channel.



PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Professional Studies Department offers an array of programmes for the students at the Undergraduate and Postgraduate levels.

The UG level courses are:

Bachelor of Commerce (Professional)

BCom P is a unique course aimed at a higher level career placement for undergraduates. Higher level corporate placement is an outcome of simultaneous pursuit of CIMA or CS and the add on programs such as advanced excel, six sigma, portfolio management and SAP. The professional courses and add on programs are designed and integrated with BCom P curriculum to make students corporate fit.

Bachelor of Commerce (Finance & Accountancy)

(Christ University is amongst very few institutions that provide a course specifically designed for students pursuing Chartered Accountancy. The course, B.Com F&A - is the largest course in terms of student strength in the department of Professional Studies. The course has been designed with subjects allocated based on its relevance to the Chartered Accountancy profession. Holistic growth and soft-skill development is given prime importance to inculcate corporate finesse and further the global visibility. Students are given the opportunity to get trained in their cognitive thinking abilities and logical reasoning skills by way of business fests. All these help shape the students and prepare them to meet the requirements of the corporate world.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANCY (C.A.) PROGRAM

Christ University has started the C.A. Program along with B.com - Finance and Accounting degree course which enables the students to pursue C.A course along with under graduation course.

Bachelor of Business Administration (Finance & Accountancy)

BBA F&A is a unique course aimed at graduates who are proficient in the field of Finance and Accounting. Higher level corporate placement is an outcome of simultaneous pursuit of ACCA and CS or Insurance. BBA F&A graduates are entitled to exemptions of 9 papers (out of 14 papers) of the examinations



IN PIC- Shama V A being congratulated by Rev.Fr. Dr. Jose CC for the success she achieved in CA-CPT



IN PIC- CA Programme Co-ordinator Bhavesh Rajani Addressing the crowd during CA-CPT felicitation

organized by the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA). ACCA India signed its first university MoU with Christ University. With the MoU in place, Christ students can avail exemptions while studying or completing their BBA (Finance and accounting) degree.

BCOM EVENING: sessions are held regularly for professionals desirous of continuous learning.

At the PG level, the Professional Studies Department is offering MSc Actuarial Science (MAS)

MAS is a two-year postgraduate course spread over four semesters comprising modules on Financial Mathematics, Actuarial Statistics, Insurance and Economics. The course covers key areas in global business with in-depth coverage of Risk Management opening a plethora of opportunities in the insurance and global investment sectors. The course is dedicated towards dealing with real-world scenarios and application of the analytical process that students are trained for; practical application, case studies and market analysis with experts guiding individuals will be an important aspect of the learning process.

The Department also hosts and urges students to participate in various fests and events. COGNITO – All India Business Fest is the flagship event conducted by the Department of Professional Studies. The fest is designed to emulate the corporate world and it recreates real-time business scenarios and situations to analyze the participants and find the best among the competitors. Colleges send their best teams to participate in this fest and the quality and scenarios in the fest keep evolving with the changes in the real business world. The fest mainly includes rounds based on Finance, Marketing, Human Capital Management, Public Relations, Entrepreneurship, Managerial skills and Stress Management. The winners of the fest are rewarded with cash prizes which is usually one of the highest for an undergraduate business fest in India. CIMA UD has been supporting the even over the years.

SAHYOG is a social initiative undertaken by the students of the Department of Professional Studies. It aims to give the differently abled a platform to showcase their talents and an opportunity to perform before the public. The event SAHYOG presents the talents within various NGOs with an opportunity to come forth and put up an eventful and memorable show at Christ University. Started in the year 2013, SAHYOG managed to achieve its objective in a big way the very first year by organizing a grant event. [One of the participants, who is visually challenged, was offered the opportunity to be a playback singer for one of the leading music directors of the State.]

Enactus is an international non-profit organization that works with leaders in business and higher education to mobilize university students. The main purpose is to make a difference in their communities while developing the skills to become socially responsible business leaders. The Enactus team of Christ University is one of the most active teams in India where students develop outreach projects that improve the quality of life and standard of living for people in need. In addition to the community aspect of the program, leadership and career initiatives by Enactus also create meaningful opportunities for learning and exchange among the students.

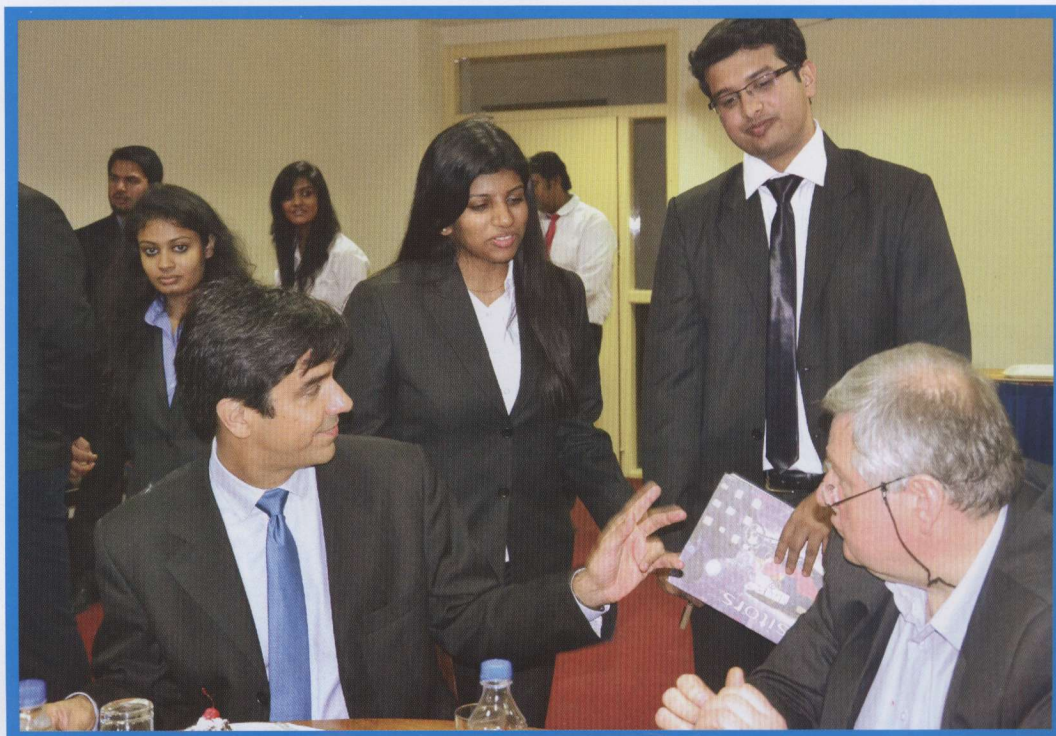
INSIGHT gives the participants a taste of all the areas in a business fest – Entrepreneurial Development (ED), Human Resources (HR), Marketing, Finance, Public Relations, Best Manager and Business Quiz. The fest, unlike others of its kind, allows its participants to participate in all the events of the fest, this provides a chance to participants to identify their interest and flair for any of the events in the early stages, so that they could specialize in them for the fests in the 2nd and 3rd year of study.

TEDx Christ University is an initiative of the students from the Department of Professional Studies. The event is organized and run completely by the students representing various departments of Christ University. The Head of the Department of Professional Studies serves as the teacher coordinator. The selection of speakers, handling of communication and designing of the stage and event are entirely owned by the student body in consultation with the Coordinator.



Future Model United Nations, MUN is the Department of Professional Studies' initiative to simulate the vibrant global dynamics over 2 days and serves as a platform to make a difference. Started in the year 2013, Future MUN is in its nascent stages but is looking forward to grow into a global event. The key focus of Future MUN is twofold. For participants, it is a chance to showcase their ability at problem solving, reasoning skill, rationality and leadership. For organizers, this is an opportunity to understand the mechanics one must be proficient in to hold a formal conference, adhere to timings and hospitality.

Impetus is a unique business fest organized by the second year undergraduates of the Department of Professional Studies for the students of PU Colleges both in and around Bangalore. The Department, which organizes a myriad of fests for its student community envisages that these skills need to be brought out at a younger age especially at the Pre-University period, Business fests will add on to that knowledge and improve the cognitive thinking process enabling more rational and business application opportunities of the corporate world.





The Department of Tourism Studies organized a National Seminar on “Business and Management of Tourism” as a global force. The luminaries present for the inaugural event were Mr Vinai Gupta, Founder, CEO and Chairman, Via and Mrs T R Boaz, Chief Regional Manager, IRCTC, who was also the Guest of Honor. The seminar witnessed 42 paper presentations from academicians and research scholars from around the globe.

Dr Shaheed Khan, Mrs Margaret Rasquinha, Head – Marketing and Public Relations for South Central India, Jet Airways, Mr Harshad Donde, Associate Vice President and Head, South Global Enterprise Business Corporate Travel, Thomas Cook (India) Ltd., Mr Shrikanth K, Head for Leisure at Travel Tours, Mrs Rama Ravichandran and Mrs Aparna Ghatwal, Director – National Sales in the Park Hotel were all part of the different panel discussions held during the course of events. The panel discussion was followed by two parallel sessions of paper presentations. One group of presentations was chaired by Mr Venkat Rao, with Dr Joby Thomas as the Rapporteur. A virtual presentation on The Impact of Social Networking Marketing on Luxury Hotels in South California by Ms Niketa Purandare from Los Angeles was also aired during the course of the seminar. Dr Babu Thaliath, a post doctoral researcher at the faculty of Theoretical Philosophy, Humboldt University, Berlin gave the audience a wonderful insight on the fundamentals of research and its implications on all fields of education.

The Tourism Association Activities & Konkurrenz 2013 was inaugurated on 10 July 15, 2013. An inter class event, it aims to develop the overall personality and communication skills of the students. The Chief Guest for the event was Ms Anita Raja, Regional Manager, Royal Caribbean Cruises, Bangalore and The Guest of Honour was Mr Dennison Joseph is currently working with Thomas Cook as Manager, MICE. An alumnus of Christ University, he was instrumental in initiating Konkurrenz during his student days.

The department organised Ontrack 2013, a Corporate Cricket and Throw-

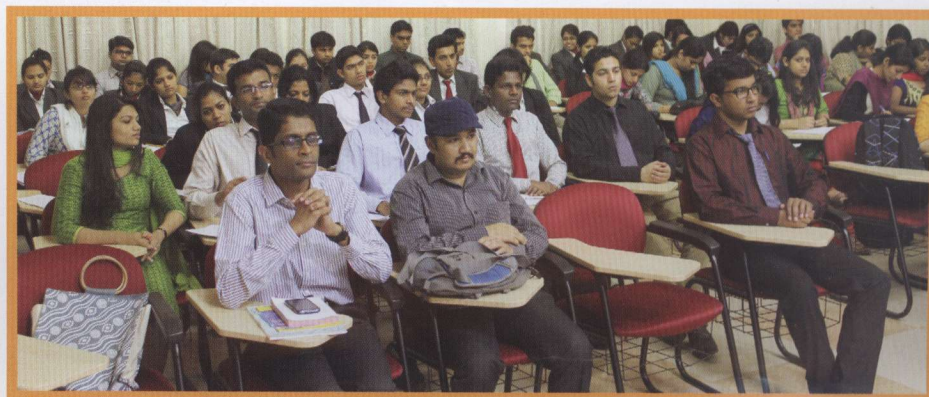
ball Tournament for members of the travel, tourism and hospitality industry on 16 November. The event was inaugurated with the first ball and bat by Dr Satinder Singh Duggal, Dean – Commerce and Management and Dr Tomy K Kallarakal, Head, Department of Tourism Studies. This year 15 corporate teams participated for cricket and 3 for throw ball. The presentation ceremony was held at Dharmaram grounds.

EXODUS 2014, a two day national level inter-collegiate fest was organized on 14 and 15 February, 2014. This was the fourteenth year of organizing EXODUS for the Tourism and Hospitality students across the country in order to interact, network, synergise and stay connected with one another. The



event was inaugurated by Dr Venu Vasudevan IAS, Director General, National Museum, Ministry of Culture, Government of India in the Main Auditorium. The latest issue of 'Travelogue', the bi-annual magazine of the students of MTA and 'Frequent Flyer', the bi-annual magazine of the students of BCom (Travel and Tourism Management) was released on this occasion.

Close to 200 students from 12 colleges, including nine colleges from outside the city of Bangalore and the state of Karnataka were in attendance this year. The major highlight of the fest was 'Travelitez', a travel and tourism quiz organized exclusively for the corporate members of the travel and tourism industry. This event has earned a place in the Limca Book of Records, for its uniqueness. It was hosted by Mr. Arul Mani, a prominent writer, faculty and quiz master. The closing ceremony was held in the presence of Mr Manian Krishnan from HPN Global.





Centre for Advanced Research and Training (CART)

CART is conceived to be an active network of experts cutting across different disciplines engaging in pure and applied research. This is a platform where they can come together to offer effective mentoring to researchers, help them evolve academically by answering substantive questions and acquire cutting edge research methods. This will further enhance academic development through knowledge creation, meet industry requirements by offering consultancy services and well promote societal development through knowledge dissemination.



Programmes conducted by CART

1. Three Day National Workshop on Data Analysis Using SPSS, 16-18 May 2013.

Participants across the country had taken part in the workshop. Knowledge was imparted through both theoretical and practical methods. Basic concepts of analysis and the implementation of techniques were covered during the three day workshop. A hands-on experience was a key for the success of the workshop.

2. Facilitator Certification Programme in SPSS is being conducted since 2013.

- Basic course: July 2013 – October 2013
- Intermediate course: January 2014 – March 2014
- Advanced course: June 2014 – August 2014

Faculties/Research scholars who have cleared one course will be eligible for the next level. Currently the Centre has completed one batch of Basic course and Intermediate course. Advanced course shall begin from June 2014. There is a second batch of Basic course which will begin from the month of June both at Main and Kengeri Campus.



CENTRE FOR CONCEPT DESIGN (CCD)



The Centre for Concept Design (CCD) approves all content that goes from the University to the public. This could be in the form of notices, brochures, newsletters, certificates, magazines, print and electronic advertisements. The Centre supports the various departments of the university in making high definition



Studio of CCD in Pre- production, production and post- production of their digital sessions. The highlight of this year was CCD's participation in producing content and user manual for Wikipedia and the Department of Languages project on developing and editing content in Regional languages like Hindi, Kannada, Sanskrit, Urdu and Tamil.



innovative audio and video learning resources through the Green View Studio. The Centre has been involved in developing the Mandatory Certificate Courses offered by the various departments of the University as e- learning sessions. CCD is the official producer of the University Magazine and promotional campaigns of the University and various University offices and Centres.

In the academic year 2013- 14, CCD was successful in releasing more than hundred digital learning resources from different streams of study. CCD spearheaded the Faculty Development Program at the beginning of the academic year, creating awareness on and providing training for developing learning resources using digital technology. Throughout the academic year teachers were trained and supported by the Green View



CENTRE FOR COUNSELLING

Academic year 2013-2014 began with admission counselling in the month of February and lasted up to June. In the month of June, the Centre actively participated in the various re-opening ceremonies of the academic year.

The STAR programmes of the Centre such as Peer - education and Psycho-education were successfully conducted in the main campus as well as in the Kengeri campus. The Centre also documented two promotional videos on PES and the overall functioning of the Centre. The second edition of Peer Treasure the annual newsletter of Peer Education System was published by the department. Apart from these, it also organized two parent meetings and End Semester Attendance condonation meetings.



The Centre organized monthly Capacity Building workshops to enhance professional growth of the counsellors. These workshops were conducted by the counsellors for the peer counsellors, including counsellors of Christ Junior college. Counsellors attended several training programmes on Satir Model counselling, Art therapy, Positive Psychology organized by the Psychology Department of the University. Centre concluded its academic year positively by adding another feather to its cap by organizing two day's workshop on Positive Psychology.



Office of International Affairs at Christ University witnessed quite an exciting 2013-14 year.

MOUs: Office of International Affairs expanded its contacts by signing MOU's with Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Switzerland and Coleman College, Singapore.

Incoming foreign students:

Christ University hosted around 175 international students for short duration for its academic/cultural programs. The Foreign students from the various programs added to the diversity of the campus. Students came from USAC (USA), NHTV (Netherland), IESEG (France), Science Po (France), University of Burgundy (France) and Griffith University (Australia). Furthermore, under the aegis of "India Gateway Program," International Office hosted 5 groups which included around 75 faculty/students from University of Paris-Dauphine (France), University of Minnesota, USA, University of Oregon, USA, St. Olaf College, USA and University of Applied Sciences, Wurzburg-Shweinfurt (Germany).

Outgoing Christ University students to foreign countries:

International Office was instrumental in providing opportunity to around 150 Christ University students to study abroad on either credit transfer or study abroad program. The students went on credit transfer programs to: Western Michigan University (USA), Sheffield Hallam University (UK), IESEG School of Management (France), Birmingham City University



(UK), Liverpool Hope University (UK), University of Applied Sciences, Wurzburg-Shweinfurt (Germany), Virginia Commonwealth University (USA), Catholic University of America (USA) and ISA Institute of Life Sciences (France).

Christ University students were also part of one semester study abroad programs at Baldwin Wallace University (USA) NHTV (Netherland), IESEG (France) and Science Po (France).



Centre for Publication takes care of the academic publications and in-house publications of the University. The academic publications involve journals, Monographs, Working papers, Major Research Project Reports, and conference proceedings. In-house publications include University Annual Report, Student Handbook, and Student Dairy. Two new initiatives of the Centre during the year were Department Annual Reports and publication of syllabi. The seven working papers published by the Centre are *Development Induced Displacement* by Fr Arun Antony Chully, Hemalatha K and Pitambari Josalkar (ISBN 978-93-82305-14-9); *Celebrity PR in India: A Closer Look at Salman Khan's PR Strategies* by Suparna Naresh (ISBN 978-93-82305-16-3); *Export-led Growth: Some Recent Evidence from India* by Santhosh Kumar P K (ISBN 978-93-82305-18-7); *Bayen and the Biopolitical Subjecthood: Gender and Subjectivity in Mahasweta Devi's "Bayen"* by Gaana J (ISBN 978-93-82305-19-4); *Trends in Culture and Tradition as Reflected in the Names of People* by Suma K (ISBN 978-93-82305-20-0); *Trajectory of the Image of Female Body in Indian Cinema* by Aasita Bali (ISBN 978-93-82305-23-1) and *Discourses of the Body* by Sreyashi Dhar (ISBN: 978-93-82305-26-2). The monographs include *Application of Statistical Tools in Social Sciences Research* by Sahana Prasad (ISBN: 978-93-82305-22-4) and *The Clan Culture of Hijras: An Exploration into the Gender Identity and Status of Hijras Inside and Outside Gharanas* by Tissy Mariam Thomas (ISBN: 978-93-82305-21-7). *Study of Electroconvection in a Micropolar Fluid* by Pranesh

S (ISBN: 978-93-82305-29-3) and *The Role of Print Media in the Electoral Process with special reference to women in India* by Sagarika Golder were the Major Research Projects published. The Centre also brought out the Book of Abstracts of KSTA Conference and International Conference on Bounds and Ethics. The Centre published the following Kannada books of Christ University Kannada Sangha *Aartha* by Monika Gajendragadkar, translated by Chandrakantha Pokale (978-93-82305-15-6-); Environmental Studies- e-book, (978-93-82305-) *Haalu Jeenu* by Veerappa Moily & Malathi V. Moily (ISBN 17-0-978-93-82305-24-8-), *Kotta* by Veerappa Moily (978-93-82305-25-5a). *Hospitality Research: Multi-disciplinary Approach* (CD-978-93-82305-30-9), *Kanasa Bennati Nadige* (978-93-82305-27-9-), *A.N.Kr. Smaraka Antara Collegu Katha Spardhe-5* (978-93-82305-31-6-) - *Hattu Dikkina Belaku* (ISBN 978-93-82305-32-3) by H S Raghavendra Rao and *Mayabazaar: Re-viewing 100 years of Indian Cinemas* (978-93-82305-33-0) (Ed) by department of English were also published by the Centre.

The four quarterly journals-*Artha-Journal of Social Sciences*, *Mapana-Journal of Sciences*, *Ushus-Journals of Business Management* and three biannual journals *Tatva-Journal of Philosophy*, *Atna-Journal of Tourism Studies* and *Christ University Law Journal* have seen publication of articles from leading scholars for across the country and aboard.





The Centre for Research was established at Christ University in 2008 to nurture the research talents. Through various academic exchange programs, the centre aims at establishing a universal nature and legitimacy of a research centre. It motivates and facilitates scholars to cultivate an aptitude for intercultural and transnational communications in economic, social, political and scientific spheres. The centre has PhD program in eighteen disciplines. There are eighty nine empanelled guides supervising the scholars. So far, sixteen PhD scholars have obtained their degree. Three PhD scholars have completed their viva voce exam and five PhD scholars have submitted their thesis. Apart from this, four Zimbabwe PhD scholars have also submitted their synopsis for defense.

The Centre for Research completed review meeting for the 2010 and 2012 batch PhD Scholars and verified their progress in research.

Centre for Research conducted Synopsis defense for 2009, 2010, and 2011 batch PhD Scholars. The Defense was monitored and evaluated by invited external subject experts as well as internal subject experts. The vigorous assessment procedure helped the PhD scholars to improve the quality of their PhD Thesis.

2 PhD scholars of 2009 batch and 1 scholar from 2010 batch have completed their PhD viva voce exam defense and will be awarded PhD degree during this academic year.

Centre for Research organized a National Workshop on 9 July, 2013 on Research Publications. Resource Persons:

1. Dr. Jay Kandampully (Ohio State University, USA)
2. Alison Dean (University of Newcastle, Australia)
3. Dr. Byron Keating (University of Canberra, Australia)
4. Dr. Beomcheol (Peter) Kim (AUT University, New Zealand)

74 participants including academicians, faculty members and Research scholars, attended the seminar and richly benefited from the resource persons.

Centre for Research organized series of lectures under the banner of Forum for Knowledge Sharing during the academic year 2013-2014. Experienced and Eminent Professors shared their research experience and it was a platform for great learning experience for the budding research scholars.

The admission procedure commenced in the month of August 2013 and 31 students selected for admission for the academic year 2013-2014. Number of students admitted in different disciplines are as follows; Chemistry – 2, Commerce – 3, Law – 2, Computer Science – 3, Economics – 2, Education – 1, Engineering – 4, Management – 2, Mathematics – 4, Psychology – 5 and Social Work – 3.

PhD Course work was formally inaugurated on 16 December 2013, by our Vice chancellor, Dr. Fr. Thomas C Mathew.

The Course work Classes started in the month of December, 2013 and will be completed in the Month of May, 2014. The

Course Work Classes were conducted under three phases; Course Work Phase I, Phase – II, Phase – III and Phase – IV. At the end of the course work, the Centre will conduct End Semester Examination for the PhD scholars.

Research Proposal Presentation for the present batch scholars will

be held during the month of June, 2014 followed by the issue of Course Work Completion Certificates.

The centre for research has also conducted several discussions meet with experts and orientation to scholars on tool construction, data analysis and interpretation of results.



Centre for Social Action (CSA) is a social development of Christ University, where student communities are sensitised on various issues affecting the poor and marginalized sections of society. This is done so that they can internalize and personalize the issues and contribute to sustainable changes in the lives of the poor and the oppressed. Through such processes of involvement, CSA aims to enable the students to be aware of the social realities around them as well as impart them with ideas of how they can contribute towards the upliftment of unheeded sections. Following are the activities of CSA 2013-14 which derive their strength from its vision and mission. They form the framework and the basis for activity implementation.

Rural Exposure Visits:

Students get an opportunity to learn and understand the rural life in India. It fosters community based experiential learning to the students which is community centred in bridging out the gaps between academics its applicability, It helps students to relate themselves with the situations around and to come up with decisions resulting to holistic development of individual selves.

Altogether 60 Rural Study Visits/Camps, (Including HP Camp and Exposure visits for International Students) were conducted for 3184- Three Thousand One Eighty Four participants at our project areas in Kolar and Hoskote.

Child Sponsorship: Students community of Christ University sponsor poor children from urban slums for their education and for their overall growth and development. Children are supported with school fees, books, uniforms, bags and other stationary items. They also access services to improve their academic and personal growth; the services include workshops on personality development, leadership skill and creative skill development. Health camps, talent shows, excursions and sports competitions are also conducted for children. Six Hundred fifty Six children from 3 different urban slum project areas were sponsored this year with the contribution of INR 22,97,621- Twenty Two Lakhs, Ninety Seven Thousand, Six Twenty contributed by 172 Individual Sponsors and 126 Class/Group/Sections Sponsors.

Visits and Orientation: Special Visits are organized for students and resource staff to our project areas, in order to make them aware of different activities and interventions of CSA at Urban and Rural Communities and at Christ University Campus as well. Visitors are oriented on sustainable development concepts which CSA strives to achieve at our different community development projects, both at urban slums in bangalore. Altogether we had 427. No of Students/ Faculty

visitors this year at Janakiram Layout (No of visitors 229), and at LR Nagar, Ambedkarnar and Rajendranagar. (No visitors are 198).

Extension Activities for Social Work Students, as part of Extension Activity for 1st year Masters of Social Work students, campaigns were conducted to spread awareness on different social concerns and relevance. It's a unique approach which is found highly useful for application of social work theories into practice which has lead to change in the society.

Four campaigns were conducted in the academic year on Waste Management, Disability Sensitization, and Importance of Girl safety and on Health, Sanitation and Ill Effects of Substance Abuse at L.R Nagar, Ambedkarnagar and at Janakiram Layout slum project areas.

Social Responsibility Week:

An initiative started in the year 2010, is a week/day in every semester, where every

department will be sensitized about a single social issue decided for that semester .All the students are assisted and guided by their respective faculties to conduct various activities within their own departments to achieve the purpose through various competitions, presentations, screening of documentaries, role plays etc.

In 2013-14, Two Social Responsibility Week's that were organized and observed in each of the semester; the theme for first semester was on " Fundamental Duties under Constitution of India", Students from each class/section give a short comprehensive presentation on all the fundamental duties at their respective classes. Faculties guided students on the purpose of why it was important to observe "Social Responsibility Week "and made them aware of its significance of knowing and practicing all the duties. Students also gave demonstration on each of the fundamental duties to the



passerby's on the pathway. Presentations of charts and street plays were also performed by the students. Range of programmes like mime, street play, slogan competition, demonstration on pathway and class room presentation were organized to educate nearly 1000 students of our university.

In the Second semester the theme was on 'Child Rights and Action', the event was conducted in collaboration with CRY (Child Rights Organization) and with all the associated academic departments, Six Departments (CUIM, CSA, Commerce, Political Science, Economics, and Psychology) of Christ University participated in organizing various events ranging from slogan competition, street plays, signature campaign, a poster presentation, sticker campaign, competition on creative chart presentations etc. A group of students met and forwarded a list of 10 child rights manifesto to Mr. Rahul Gandhi during his visit to Bangalore. Nearly 1500 students directly or indirectly participated in the event either by organizing various awareness programmes or by participating in the event/competition organized for the students.

Drishti: Prayatna was a rally initiated by Drishti to segregate waste in slums. It was conducted in the project areas where people were shown how to segregate Wet and Dry waste. Drishti also performed three street plays in those project areas. Radio Drama was a Voice Play conducted in association with Radio Active Station, a community radio station. The main theme was Women Empowerment and the drama was broadcasted on Women's Day. Two different topics, Dowry and Women Education in two languages Kannada and Telugu were enacted. Drishti was also invited to put up a play in collaboration with IISC for National Seminar on Solid Waste Management. The seminar was held in Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College in Malleshwaram.

Activity Centre: A Heath camp was initiated by Activity Centre in Ambedkar Nagar. The doctors, after the evaluation, interacted with the parents and asked them to give more importance to their children's Dental Hygiene. The highlight of this academic year, apart from Milan, was the **Career Guidance Program** that was conducted in the same project area. Our main aim was to expose them to career opportunities available across various disciplines and at the same time give due importance to Diploma or Vocational courses, Govt. jobs, Sports and Entertainment industry.

Media and Communication Team: Creativity Club, a part of Media & Communication team initiated what is called **Photo-walk** where people who are interested in going around the city and cover socially relevant issues can come and join us. We do have certain themes. The places we visit will be in accordance with this theme. For example, once we had taken up the theme 'Religion' and visited a temple, a church, a Gurudwara and a mosque to see how just the definition of God varied from place to place and documented them with photographs.

Milan -2013-14 Milan' is a two day inter-regional sports and cultural festival conducted for the sponsored children from the urban slums, rural and tribal backward spaces from across three states of India, organized at the Christ University Campus here in Bangalore. Most of these children are being sponsored for



their education by the students of Christ University. Altogether nearly 500 children from 8 different regional and state project areas participated in 11 various cultural and sports competitions.). Mr. Vijay Lancy a renowned Indian badminton player presided over the programme as the chief guest. In the end Hoskote-Chethana Project- won the overall championship, which lifted and retained 'Milan' rolling shield for third consecutive time. Nearly 140 student volunteers and 20 Volunteers from a Corporate Social Responsibility Group from Hewlett Packard Company took active role in organizing and making the event successful.

Gracias- 2013-14 'Gracias' is a thanks giving event by the children from urban slum project areas of CSA, to express their heartfelt gratitude to their sponsors through various cultural performances, children managed to put up 10 different stalls to showcase and demonstrate the significance of all the community development projects and programmes of CSA. The students felt happy to see all the performances by their sponsored children in Gracias and were inspired by the chief guest's speech from Mr. Girisha Gowda, Silver Medallist for India in 2012 Paraolympics in London and recipient of Padmashri Award.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMME

ENGLISH ACCESS MICRO-SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME: English Access Micro scholarship program is to provide a foundation of English language skills and communication strategies to economically disadvantaged children through two years of after school instruction and intensive session.

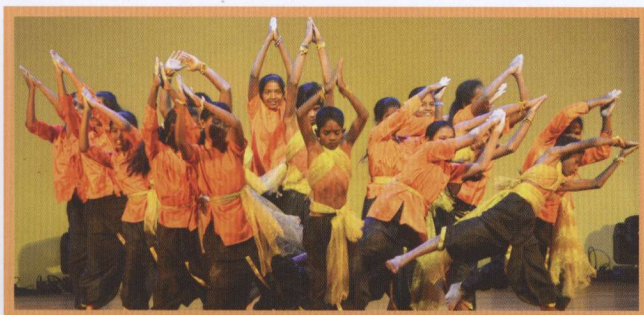
The Access Program (AP) is an added feather in the development cap of CSA through Christ University. The AMIDEAST-USA, Regional English Office (RELO), New Delhi, and US Consulate- Chennai, came forward to join hands with CSA to undertake this unique project. Prior to its restart in the month of November 2012 this AP was executed by EDC (another NGO) for 6 months (77hours). When it was given to CSA the task of completing 283 hours out of 360 hours of instruction and implementing several Enhancement Activities have been entrusted. Accordingly a detailed plan of action with a proposal was developed and agreed by the partners to implement these activities with a lifespan of 18 months beginning from Nov 2012 to April 2014.

RURAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

MANIKGARH HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (MHCDP), Maharashtra: As the years have gone by since the inception of MHCDP, CSA has crossed mid-way in implementing Community Development project since April 2013 for the near-extinct Kollam and Gond tribal communities residing in 24 villages/hamlets of Jiwati Taluk, Chandrapur District of Maharashtra state. The years 2011-12 and 2012-13 were indeed exciting and challenging for the project implementation team, where many strategies and capacity building exercises of the staff and the community emerged.

As a felt need to improve the effectiveness of the program implementation, good practices were developed in order to empower the staff and stakeholders for ensuring the sustainability of the project. The project supported more than 1100 most deserving children and their families in the target area with education, health, livelihood support and many such developmental interventions.

Project had good network with other developmental partners/institutions i.e. various government departments, financial institutions and other NGOs in Jiwati Taluk for increasing the impact and quality of the various initiatives.



MANIKGARH HILLS CLIMATE CHANGE PROJECT: Now-a-days Climate Change, global warming, ecological imbalance and disposal of solid waste are some of the matters that are often discussed in the entire universe. Now the global community has realized that there needs to be a strategy in place to arrest the furtherance of its negative impacts. The situation demanded such a thinking as climate change is spreading across its vicious hands to each and every nook and corner of the globe.

Therefore, to ensure CSA's role in such a noble endeavor a project was launched at Jiwati Taluk, of Maharashtra state in the year 2012-13 in partnership with HCDI, Pune & KNH-Germany. The major focus is on climate change and the project is implemented in this poverty stricken tribal belt and climate sensitive area with 24 villages and 1430 families. Activities such as tree plantation and awareness campaigns on education, sustainable agricultural practices, installation of energy efficient technologies based on nature, promotion of the usage of solar lamps, CFL bulbs, smokeless ovens etc were planned and executed to ensure the fulfillment of objectives.

It is quite encouraging to notice that the project reached out to over 4727 individuals in the process of executing the above listed activities.

JEEVADHAN CFCD PROJECT: The "Jeevadhan CFCD project" works towards "Child Focused Community Development" covering 15 villages in Nirmal Mandal of Adilabad District in Andhra Pradesh. During its lifespan, intended attempts were made to ensure the prevalence and functioning of the community based organizations (CBOs) such as Children Parliaments, Self Help Groups, Village Development Committees and Project Level Federations.

This was done to promote the concept of sustainable development. The project has been supporting 1800 deprived families covering 1500 children in the age group of 0-16 years. The target families belong to Lambada, Gond, Thoti and Nayakkapod tribal communities. During the last two years the major focus was on building sustainability mechanism and capacity building of the CBOs like self help groups and village development committees (VDC) under the project. The following table explains the details of CBOs that were established under the project.

PRAGATHI CFCD PROJECT: Pragathi is the name of the "Child Focused Community Development" project which started its interventions in June 2012 covering 22 interior villages in Srinivasapura and Mulbagal taluk of Kolar District in Karnataka State. The project has chosen to support 1800 deprived families for their sustainable development through 5 major components i.e., 1) ECC and Nutrition of 0-6 years children 2) Strengthening the education of children in the age group of 6-16 years 3) Community Health 4) Livelihood development and 5) Promoting and strengthening Community Based Organizations. 60% of the families in the proposed project impact villages belong to Schedule Caste (SC) which is highest in these two taluks.

WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

PARIVARTHANA- Waste Management Unit: Centre for Social Action (CSA), with the support of Global Communities has been implementing a community based solid waste management initiative called the 'Parivarthana Project' which also has been serving as a livelihood program in Ambedkar Nagar, Rajendra Nagar and Christ University Campus. The project was initiated to undertake decentralized solid waste management which includes collection, sorting and sale of recyclables, composting and paper recycling.

Christ University - A zero waste campus: Christ University generates around 800 kgs of waste everyday which includes both wet and dry waste. The waste is primarily segregated by students. They are being sensitized by CSA Staff propagate the message of waste segregation and solid waste management practices in the slums through awareness campaign, rally, street plays, door to door campaign and formation of eco-clubs for children.

About 12000 students and faculty members are sensitized and educated on solid waste management practices. From each department students and faculty members are given exposure to understand solid waste management practices initiated in Christ University and further encouraged to carry the message back to their home. Waste bins for safe disposal of dry waste, wet waste



and food/kitchen waste are kept at different locations to ensure the primary segregation. This practice helps complete 70% of waste segregation by the students. Every one hour wastes are collected and taken to sorting unit where the secondary segregation (30%) takes place. All the paper recyclables are processed at paper recycling unit and various types of papers products are made. Tetra packs are sent to Janakiram Layout where SHG members promoted by CSA make artistically designed vanity bags and other products which are being sold to the external markets. Most importantly the student volunteers of Christ University propagate the message of waste segregation and solid waste management practices in the slums through awareness campaign, rally, street plays, door to door campaign and formation of eco-clubs for children.

URBAN SLUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

3D PROJECT AT JANAKIRAM LAYOUT: Centre for Social Action (CSA), has been implementing integrated Desirable Dynamic Development (3-D) Empowerment Project at Janakiram Layout since 2008. The project is a brain child of in-Z, Netherlands which played an active part in its inception. HP-Bangalore also supported the project by sponsoring 100 children for a year. Bosch India Foundation executed activities pertaining to vocational skills. The intervention promoted by CSA is essentially a community based developmental paradigm based on the principle of people's decision- making and participation for their own development. Educational Programmes through Activity Centre and Child Sponsorship Initiatives, about 532 children in the year 2011-12 & 511 children during 2012-13 were supported by Christ University students.

L R NAGAR INTEGRATED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT: Hundreds of children! 100s of dreams and the only route- Education! It is here that "GMR Varalakshmi Foundation", Bangalore and "Centre for Social Action" jointly pitched in to facilitate the education of 250 deprived children. United in a pact with a purpose during July 2010, the focus was imparting educational and life skills to the children of the age group of 5-14 years. However, GMR broadened its horizon by adding three more activities viz., Women Empowerment, Day Care Centres and a Transit School for dropout children. After a thorough study of the poverty levels in Laxman Rao (L.R) Nagar slum near Koramangala, Bangalore, GMR confirmed the continuation of their funding



for 3 more years i.e., from July 2011 to June 2014. In addition, 150 children from this project area were supported under 'Educate a Child' scheme, by the students of Christ University, Bangalore. With contributions of the students, other individuals and organizations around 232 children received educational support in L.R.Nagar slum. Following are the major activities of the project at L.R.Nagar:

1. Running "Children's Activity Centres" for enhancing the quality of education.
2. "Transit school" for dropout children up to 13 years.
3. Running "Day Care Centres" for the children between 18months-3 years.
4. "Women's Empowerment" through education, awareness and creating opportunities for additional income through alternative employment opportunities.

RAJENDRANAGAR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT: What started off as a humble support by Christites in 1999 that boosted the lives of 50 children in Rajendranagar slum in Koramangala, has indeed come a long way thanks to the relentless efforts of the student volunteers. Over the years this continued gesture has elevated the Child Sponsorship

Program into a movement and around 225 marginalized children from this slum are receiving support for continued education as well as life skills development. Thus the sponsored children in Rajendranagar slum have been supported with four major activities viz., Supplementary Educational Centres, Children's Library under "Grow by Reading" concept, Computer Education and Personality Development. Thus the sponsored children in Rajendranagar slum have been supported with four major activities viz., Supplementary Educational Centres, Children's Library under "Grow by Reading" concept, Computer Education and Personality Development.



NODAL OFFICE

The Nodal Office, Thiruvananthapuram reflected on its aims, strategies and activities, and identified the following activities for coming years: (a) conduct training workshops for academic and development professionals; (b) conduct studies/evaluations; (c) organize workshops/seminars; (d) organize cultural and informal meetings on relevant topics from time to time and (e) function as a link between the Christ University and the academic community of Kerala. Of these activities, organising training workshops for enhancing capacities of the academic and development professionals was the main focus and activity of the Nodal Office, Thiruvananthapuram during 2013-14.



Topics selected for the training workshops were innovative, useful and demand-driven. Topics of the workshops for academic professionals included (a) qualitative research using NVivo software; (b) improved methods of teaching in colleges and universities; (c) qualitative research using "R" software; (d) quantitative research using open source software methods; (e) structural equation modelling; (f) quantitative research using IBM SPSS methods; (g) action research methods; and (h) human migration. These workshops started attracting more participants from academic institutions located outside Kerala. Participants from the academic community included teachers, researchers, research guides, and doctoral and PG students. Duration of the workshops varied from two to four days. Average number of participants was around fifteen.

It is aimed to enhance the capacities of the academic community, and thereby improve the quality of teaching and research by organizing at least three training workshops every month on different new, innovative and useful research topics/issues/methods during 2014-15. Special efforts are made to improve participation of researchers (including

students) from weaker sections and rural and isolated regions of the country.

During 2013-14, the office identified the following important issues/topics of training for the development professionals, in consultation with development organizations of Kerala: (a) action research, (b) development-research linkages; (c) documentation of best practises and key learnings; (d) programme cycle management; (e) climate change management; and (f) inclusive development. Training workshops on action research and documentation of best practices and key learnings were organized. Planned to conduct training on the selected topics, on a more regular basis, with the support of government and non-government agencies during 2014-15.

Consultations with government and non-government agencies are going on to organize studies, evaluations, seminars and workshops on relevant issues. It is also planned to organize at least one cultural/informal discussion every month on a selected topic of interest.



Innovations and unique student-friendly policies marked the academic year 2013-14 with regards to examination system at Christ University. A new promotion policy was formulated especially for the School of Law and the Faculty of Engineering students. In order to curtail the absentee percentage during the mid semester examinations, a policy of reducing the weightage of marks by 15 per cent was introduced. This step has remarkably brought down the number of absentees during both the mid semester examinations.

The year 2013-14 also saw an increase in the number of examinations per year. The “odd to odd” and “even to even” policy for supplementary examinations was abolished thus reducing the waiting period for the students. In the previous scheme the students seeking supplementary examinations had to wait for 12 months to clear their backlogs. The new policy ensures a speedy clearance of the pending papers. For the Institute of Management, a special supplementary examination in the month of February was introduced to enable the students to clear their backlogs before the placements. In order to make the system more reliable, efficient and fast, 90 per cent of the work at the Office of Examination was automated. Applications for mid semester examinations were made available online for the students. Further, availability of information on seating allotment in the “Hall Ticket” has made the system more favourable for the students. Students also have the facility of applying for revaluation through online and get the update in the system within 10 days after the application. Some of the new processes introduced viz., preparation of seating charts, invigilation allotment, invigilation and valuation payments through ERP software of the university have not only eased the work process in the Office of Examinations but also have brought about more transparency in the system. The

introduction of valuation dashboard has made the status of evaluation all-time accessible for the higher officials of the University. This also has helped the university to publish the results within 14 days after the completion of the examinations.

Another student-friendly practice enforced was to make the Office of Examination accessible for them during lunch hour since they are free between 12.30 pm and 2 pm. One or more staff member will be readily available to attend to the students during this time.

An interdisciplinary and external review of the question banks was introduced in order to make it more accountable and error-free, this has drastically scuttled the number of errors in the question papers.

The annual convocation was held on the 25 and 26 May 2013. The chief guests were Dr Deviprasad Shetty, Chairman, Narayana Hrudayalaya Group of Hospitals, for the Deanery of Science, Deanery of humanities and Social Sciences and faculty of Engineering on Saturday, 25 May 2013 at 11 am; Dr G Vishwanathan, Hon. Chancellor, VIT University, Vellore, delivered the address to the graduates of the Deanery of Commerce and Management on Saturday, 25 May 2013 at 6.00 pm.

The convocation for the outgoing graduates of Deanery of Commerce and Management and School of Law was held on 26 May 2013 at 5.00 pm. The chief guest was Dr Michael Rao, President, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Virginia, USA. There were 3288 students from undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil and PhD programmes who were honoured with various degrees.



OFFICE OF PLACEMENTS

The Placement Office facilitates the students to explore the world of employment. The Placement Office takes initiatives to explore new career avenues for undergraduates and postgraduates through visits to organisations. The Placement Office focuses on the professional development of students and trains them to get an entry into a career of their choice. The Placement Office also helps students in career planning through career counselling where in they get an insight about themselves in terms of their interests, aptitudes and abilities.

Campus recruitments are usually organized between August and February every year. The recruitment process usually starts with a pre-placement talk in which the organization gives the students information about the job profile etc. It is followed by the actual selection process i.e., written test/group discussion/personal interviews etc. Student placement representatives from every class are also present to provide assistance throughout the recruitment process.

The University has state-of-the-art facilities that make campus recruitment a pleasant experience.

Highest Packages Offered (2013-14)

Organisation	CTC Per Annum in Rs	Course/s
HAAS	12.5 Lakhs	MBA Marketing
CISCO	10 Lakhs	MBA Marketing
Futures First	9.5 Lakhs	MBA Finance
DEShaw & Co	6.5 Lakhs	All UG
UBS Verity	6.25 Lakhs	All UG
Oracle	6 Lakhs	UG & PG
Godrej Properties	6 Lakhs	All UG
Zomato	5.48 Lakhs	All UG
Thomson Reuters	5 Lakhs	All UG
Great Place to Work	4.8 Lakhs	MSc Psychology HRDM
Inspire One	4.8 Lakhs	MSc Psychology HRDM
VMWare	4.5 Lakhs	BCA & BSc Comp. Sc.
Deloitte	4.2 Lakhs	BCom
Grant Thornton	4.2 Lakhs	MFM & MCom

Top Recruiters (2013-14)

Organisation	Number of Offers	Course/s
KPMG	91	UG&PG Commerce & Mgmt.
Goldman Sachs	74	All UG & PG
Ernst & Young	50	All UG & PG
ANZ	30	All UG
L&T Infotech/Construction	25	UG & PG Computer Science
TCS BPO	23	All UG
TESCO	23	All UG
Teach for India	19	All UG & PG
Wipro Technologies	15	UG & PG
Deloitte	15	BCom

OFFICE OF STUDENT WELFARE



Over the past months the Student Welfare Office has been actively involved with different events in the university with the help of University Volunteer Body which comprises of about 200+ Volunteers from across the campus who helped in organizing various events such as Convocation, Inauguration, Darpan, The Cultural Team Orientation, Pedagogic league, Sports day, Magnificat, Blossoms, National and International Conferences, In-Bloom, National Quiz Championship, Farewell Day, Dance day and Gratitude day.

In addition to their support to the university, the cultural team has visited different colleges across the country and competed in their fests. A few memorable visits out of the many were St. Josephs, Mount Carmels College, Garden City college, New Horizon, Bits Goa, IIMB, IIT Chennai and IIT Mumbai. In fact the college cultural team managed to win the all round trophy at Garden City College, Josephs Commerce College, IIMB and Bits Goa.

Anto Philip, Lit Sec of the Cult Team said "It brings out the best in you mainly because of the kind of competition that you face in other colleges. The cul team being there as a family routing for you is just an amazing feeling."

The Christ University Quiz Association for the first time organized a national level Quiz Championship which was a huge success with over 100 teams across the country participated. Christ University Choir with over 130 students which is the biggest Choir in the city organized Magnificat in the main campus and Kengeri campus in which we had around 20 Choirs across the country participated to sing the glory of the lord. Natyaarpana- University Dance team organized University Dance day with 250+ dancers sharing the stage to present a wonderful dance performances with the theme MAAYA in both Main campus and Kengeri Campus.

Overall it has been a great year for the SWO and only time can tell what the SWO has in store for the forthcoming extracurricular year at Christ University with a brand new cul team of fresh talent and creativity.



TOTAL QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS (TQMS)

Centre for Education Beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC)

Centre for Education beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC), an Initiative of Total Quality Management System (TQMS) Christ University, Bangalore initiated and conducted several National workshops, seminars and conferences in the academic year 2013-14. The programmes ranged from quality initiatives for school administrators and practitioners. Experience based programmes on preparation for Autonomy and university status were organized. Several collaborative programmes with external agencies like united board for Christian Higher education, Conference of catholic Colleges of Karnataka (CCCK), with International Federation of Catholic Universities (IFCU), Xavier Board and internal partners like Centre for Advanced Research & Training (CART) and Centre for Research, Christ University were organized. Specific programmes for Several Institutions as part of Faculty development were organized.



HOLISTIC EDUCATION

Christ University understands the limitations of compartmentalized knowledge which is not adequate enough to face the challenges of the globalized world. With a mission to prepare the students for life and not just for the acquisition of a degree, it encourages every initiative that would help students make perfect connections with the world outside. Inspired by the educational philosophy of Rousseau, Emerson, Ivan Illich, Paulo Freire, Gandhi, Tagore and Blessed Chavara, the University formulated this concept of Holistic Education more than fifteen years ago and included it in the curriculum and makes necessary changes every year. A group of teachers drawn from across the streams go through the whole process of designing the curriculum through a series of intense discussions under the broad classification of three skills: personal, interpersonal and societal. Classes are conducted every week both for the undergraduate and postgraduate students through mandatory attendance and an evaluation which is done at the end of each semester.



CEDBEC PROGRAMME 2013-14

Date	Programme
May 3-5, 2013	Workshop on Enhancing Institutional Effectiveness Through Educational Excellence – St Paul's School, Rajkot
May 16-18, 2013	Workshop on Data Analysis using SPSS in association with Centre for Advanced Research & Training (CART)
June 10-12, 2013	SEMINAR ON ENHANCING INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS THROUGH EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE FOR TEACHERS OF CMC BHOPAL PROVINCE Workshop for Teachers –Bhopal
July 1 – 4, 2013	SEMINAR ON ENHANCING INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS THROUGH EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION FOR CMC SISTERS AND TEACHERS, MANCHERIAL, ADILABAD, A.P
July 9 2013	National Workshop on Research and publication in association with Centre for research ,Christ University
26-29 August 2013	National Workshop on Learning to Teach for New College Teachers
26- 28 September 2013	National Seminar on Departmental Leadership for Heads of Departments
6 – 8 November 2013	FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR SAHRDAYA COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY, KODAKARA, THRISSUR, KERALA –
22 – 23, 2013 November	National Conference on Higher Education: Policy, Leadership & Practices Organised by Conference of Catholic Colleges of Karnataka (CCCK) & Christ University, Bangalore
January 11- 12, 2014	CHRIST UNIVERSITY, BANGALORE SEMINAR ON PREPARATION FOR UNIVERSITY STATUS FOR MOUNT CARMEL COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), BANGALORE
16 – 17 January 2014	National Workshop on Learning to Teach Law
February 18-21 2014	Seminar on Leadership for CONGREGATION OF THE MOTHER OF CARMEL; CMC Mt. Carmel Generalate – Aluva, Kerala
March, 12-14 2014	Seminar on 'Preparation for Autonomy' Centre for Education Beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC),in association with International Federation of Catholic Universities (IFCU)
April 30 – May 3, 2014	Seminar on Leadership for CONGREGATION OF HOLY CROSS SISTERS, Kottayam, Kerala
MAY 7-9,2014	RESEARCH METHODOLOGY WITH HANDS ON EXPERIENCE IN SPSS+ PACKAGE organized by Xavier Board in collaboration with Christ University
MAY 15-17,2014	National Workshop on "e-Content Development of Indigenous Teaching Practices in Humanities and Social Sciences



The University campus is equipped with four different libraries:

- Knowledge Centre – Post-Graduate, Research and Law library
- Main Library – Under Graduate, Science and B.Ed library
- Institute of Management Library, Kengeri Campus
- Faculty of Engineering Library, Kengeri Campus

The library has approx. 2,00,000 books, 500 journals subscription, 17 online databases. The library has spent 1.5 crore in the year 2013 – 2014 towards book purchase, journal subscription and other various online subscriptions.

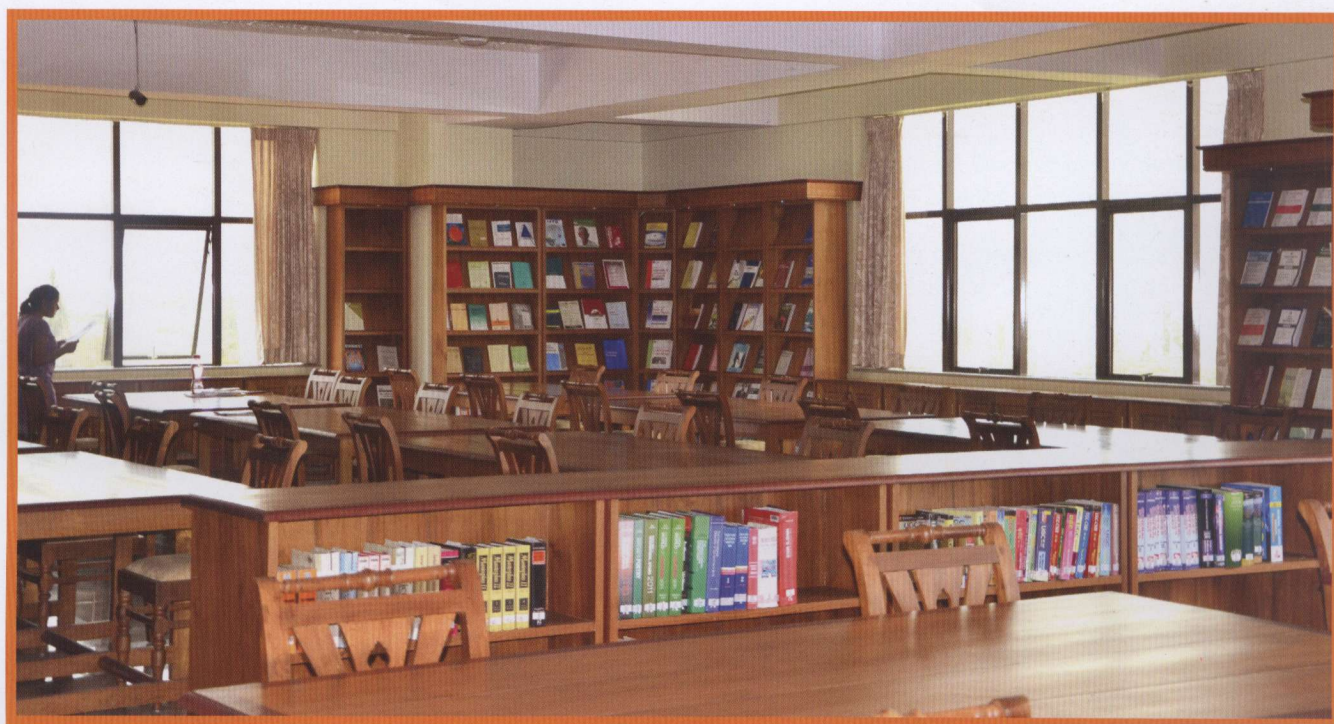
The library has renewed its institutional membership with British Council, ISEC Library, IIM-Bangalore library and

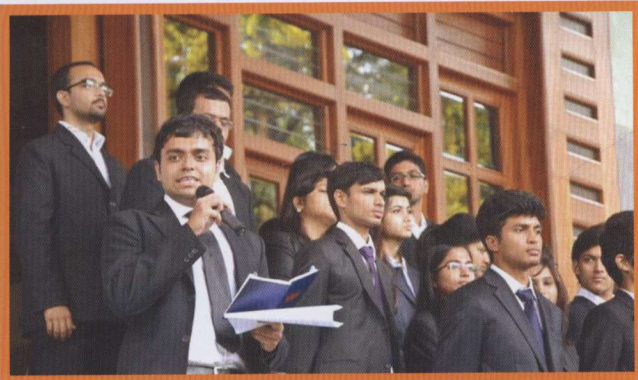
DELNET services. Research scholars and faculty members can avail both reference and borrowing facility from above libraries.

The library had visitors from various Universities and Colleges for using library facilities. Some of the library users from other Universities include:

1. Bangalore University, Bangalore
2. Mount Carmel College, Bangalore
3. Krishtu Jayanti College, Bangalore
4. Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
5. Tumkur University, Tumkur
6. National Law School of India University, Bangalore
7. National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata
8. National Law University, Jodhpur
9. Phd Scholar from University of Leicester, England
10. Agni School of Business Excellence, Dindigul

To inculcate reading habits and give an orientation to first year students. The library also conducted BOOKMARK 2013 in association with School of Education, Christ University. The total staff strength of the library is 17. The library staff members are qualified with hands-on-experience in using library software and online resources.





The Student Council members for this academic year were solemnly inducted on the 23 of February, 2013. The council consisted of representatives from all the Deaneries along with representatives from the student service wings i.e. the NCC, SWO and the Peer Education. On the 15 and 16 of June, 2013, the newly inducted Student Council members underwent a two day intensive workshop on leadership, held in the Kengeri campus, with the assistance of the resource person Mr. Arvind.

Following this orientation which marked the full induction of the Student Council, all the Deaneries took up the task of briefing the first year students regarding the functioning of the Council and the possible assistance they could gain from this system. The University level student council members thereafter took it upon themselves to orient the Deanery level members as well, with regard to their roles and duties in the hierarchy.

The Student Council has made incessant efforts to table issues pertaining to the academic, curricular and co-curricular activities on campus, following which there have been changes made though they may not seem to be particularly noticeable. I take this opportunity to mention a few of them as follows:

- The shift from Thermacoal plates and bowls to bio-degradable bowls, in synergy with the aim to achieve a zero-waste campus was an initiative by the council.
- Proper queue system was initiated in the Gourmet, so that time and crowd could be managed for systematic functioning.
- In the absence of Kamath in Gourmet, the Council felt the need to bring up the issue of availability of wholesome meals in the canteens and as a result of this effort South- Indian dishes were also introduced along with newly established Golden Chopsticks.
- The University Level Student Council as per its annual plan, organized the Higher Education fair, Daksh, on the 13th of January, 2014 which garnered a large audience who gained from the display of the Universities academia.

The role of Student Council members in the Deanery level is also of utmost importance. Individually the Deaneries have taken up various concerns and activities and duly have worked towards finding plausible solution and they are as follows:

In The Deanery of Commerce:

- The council members from the Deanery took up the task of reforming certain placement related activities; the placements that were restricted to Bcom(regular and Honours) were opened up for Bcom Tourism students in this academic year.
- This year the Council members from the Deanery also worked along with the Organizers of Campus-connect to facilitate the functioning of the event seamlessly.
- The council also strived to campaign with regard to the new dress code that was implemented in the Deanery to bring in a smooth transition from the previous system.
- The council also was instrumental in the changing of the morning break time which was constrained between 8:30-9:00 am, with an extension of 15 mins till 9:15am.



The Deanery of PG commerce and Management on the other hand worked towards various changes such as,

- The allotment of new lockers to the students of MTA
- The council also took up the task of campaigning about the advantages of the library and other infrastructure.
- In conglomeration with the house keeping staff the Council took up an initiative to keep the washrooms and the allied facilities in the canteen areas clean.

The Deanery of Humanities and Social Sciences on the other hand took up initiatives. Few of them being:

- to establish a seamless contact between the Deanery level members and the university level members
- The council established itself as a strong placement link between the Placement office and the aspiring students

- The council organized a session under its lecture forum Student Consortium for Academic Negotiations (SCAN) under the topic Art Entrepreneurship, with Mr Vineeth Vincent, Beat-boxer and Mr. Rajesh Pai, Theatre artist, who addressed issues pertaining to Entrepreneurship in their respective fields
- The council also facilitated the option given to honours students to issue 4 books instead of 2 from the library

The Deanery of Sciences as part of its responsibility took up issues like,

- Bettering the curriculum of the courses under the Deanery
- Facilitating the Students of the Deanery to be part of the Nation Students Challenge 2013, organized by Indian Institute of Human Settlement
- The Council also suggested changes in the Environment Education Holistic curriculum, to make it more relevant and contemporary
- Along with this the Council also brought about changes in the Research Laboratory functioning, to cater to more academic rigour
- The council members were also part of the organization of the Science week

The Student Council members at Kengeri-

- Initiated the formation of the Kengeri Campus Cultural Team.
- They also Initiated the Dance, Music, Sports, Robotics and Programming Clubs which have resulted in finding many students with vast and varied Talents and interests.
- For the first time the Kengeri Cultutural Team and SWO body were trained during separate workshops that were conducted in coordination with their City Campus counterparts.



- The Engineering student council conducted the first placement training programme and placement drive in the Engineering Deanery. This was a complete student driven Effort where seniors from MTech trained their immediate Juniors as well as the 4th year Engineering students on how to face Interviews, Group Discussions, Aptitude tests as well as various specific recruitment procedures followed by several Technical companies.

School of Law-

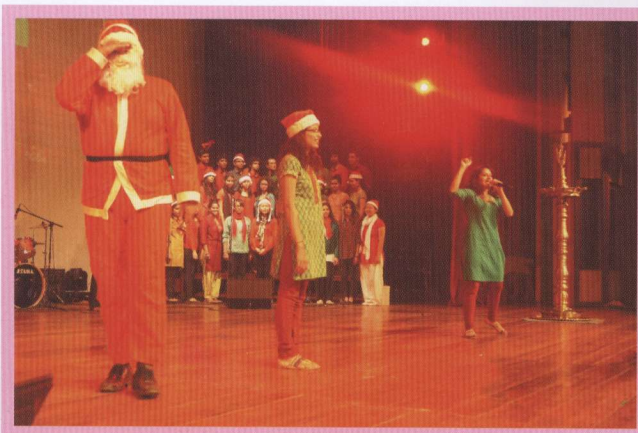
- The Student Council members established a strong link with the deanery level members throughout all the five years while personally being involved in the orientation of first year students.
- The Council was also of assistance during the staging of the theatre production, Othello, in December 2013.
- The members of the Council were instrumental in the smooth functioning of the international conference, "Bounds of Ethics" conducted in January 2014.

The academic year 2013-2014 has been an eventful one for the Student Council as we have reached most of the targets we had set out to achieve in the beginning of the year. Thank you.



ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN CHRISTITES (ACC)

The Association of Christian Christites (ACC) caters to the spiritual needs of every Christian Christite on campus through year-long programs and activities. The association kicked off its activities for the academic year 2013-14 with a Eucharistic celebration for all staff and students in the Dharmaram chapel. An orientation program was organized for the first year Christian students to induct them into the association activities. This was followed by a two day Christian leadership camp with the objective of building good leaders for the future. The association was blessed to organize the annual retreats, both for the PG students as well as the UG students. The main highlight of the UG retreat was the concert performed by one of the famous Gospel bands, CROSSTOC. The



was the Christmas celebrations in the University in which Pastor Solomon Benjamin was the Chief Guest and Speaker. ACC volunteers organized an outreach program to Little Sisters of the Poor and celebrated Christmas with the orphaned children with gifts and activities. The ACC members won many laurels by showcasing their skills and talents during gospel fests organized by various other colleges across the city.



association of Christian Christites hosted a national level Christian student's camp during the Semester holidays intended to inculcate Christian leadership qualities among the youth from various Christian colleges in South India. 4 students represented University for a Christian leadership camp organised by AIACHE (All India Association for Christian Higher Education) in Trichy. Another highlight of the annual program



NATIONAL CADET CORPS (NCC)

The National Cadet Corps of Christ University (2/9 Company) has a glorious tradition of producing meritorious cadets and creating records. This year too the Company has actively taken part in various activities to ensure the holistic development of the cadets and has set high standards.

CSM Sachin D.S. and Cdt. Chinmayi Venkatesh represented Christ University in the Republic Day camp 2013-14. The two were selected out of 77,000 cadets from all over Karnataka and Goa to represent the Directorate at Delhi. CSM Sachin was part of the National Integration Awareness Presentation team that was placed first and also represented the contingent in the PM Rally. Cadet Chinmayi was part of the SW Drill Contingent of Karnataka and Goa Directorate that won the Drill Competition. She was also selected to march at the Prestigious Rajpath Rally.



Cadets planting a sapling on the Dharmaram Campus

Adventure Activities are a definitive part of a cadet's life and this year was no different. A one-day trek to Savandurga – claimed to be the highest monolith in Asia - was organised and all cadets climbed up the rocky terrain with enthusiasm. The Great Canara Trail was held in the month of December. It stretched from Sagar to Dudhsagar. The cadets visited Lushington Falls, Dandeli-Anshi Tiger Reserve, Yana, Jog falls and more. The cadets were educated on the various ecological habitats in the region. The team consisted of 30 cadets and two staff.



The Great Canara Trail Team

JUO Marzia Ibrahim, JUO Aarathi Iyer and SGT. Yatesh Gujarathi represented the Coy in the National Integration Camp held at Silchur, Assam. JUO Aarathi Iyer won the Best Cadet Award.

As part of the Social Service Campaigns, the Coy conducted an Anti-Drug Awareness Programme and a rally condemning Female Foeticide. The Rally against Female Foeticide was carried out with the support of Action Aid, in different parts of Koramangala. The cadets also took part in tree-plantation drives. The cadets went to different villages around Hoskote and spread awareness about NCC, in collaboration with the Centre of Social Action.



Cadets of 2/9 Company expressing their patriotic zeal on the Republic Day



CSM Sachin D.S. and Cdt. Chinmayi Venkatesh (5th and 7th from the left – top line) along with Honourable Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh and Lt Gen Aniruddha Chakravarty, VSM.



Sports has always been an integral part of Christ University life, however this past academic year has been especially conspicuous in identifying budding athletes and participation of more than a handful of men's and women's teams across various sports. The response to conduction of several tournaments has been phenomenal and the expression of talent and enthusiasm has been quite remarkable.

The year started off with the Pedagogic League held in June and July, competitions in Football, basketball, volleyball, throw-ball, tennis and hockey resulted in the highest participation for football in Christ University with 250 students. The League allowed for the selection of the best players to represent the Christ University main teams. The Physical Education Department provided professional coaches for their training.

In August, there was CHRISPO, the annual inter-collegiate, sports festival held by Christ University, in which we had participation of all men's and women's teams and the following results were yielded:

Women's Throw-ball – Winners

Women's Football – Winners

Men's Football – Runners up

Men's Basketball – Runners up

Men's Tennis – Runners up



The University Cricket team participated in International Inter University Championship organised by UKM, Kaulalampur, Malaysia in the month of May 2013, where we came Runners up.

During the months of December-January, National Level Inter-University Tournaments took place, in which –

Men's Handball team went to BHARATHIDASAN UNIVERSITY, TN.

Women's Hockey team went to Mangalore University.

Women's Volleyball team went to SRM University, in Guntur TN.

Men's Hockey team went to Krishnadevaraya UNIVERSITY, in AP

Men's Football team went to MG UNIVERSITY, Kottayam, in Kerala.

Women's Basketball Team went to Dr NTR University, AP

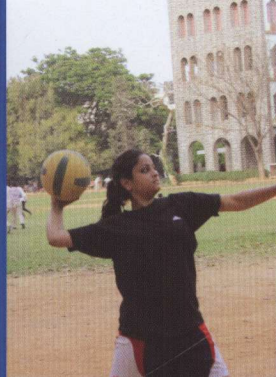
Women's Football Team went to Anna University, TN

Men's Cricket team went to Pondicherry University

Men's Volleyball team went to SRM University, Chennai

The following teams have won the tournament as follows

Sl No	TEAM	TOURNAMENT	ORGANISED BY	RESULT
1	FOOTBALL MEN	CHRI SPO FEST	Christ University	Runners up
2	BASKETBALL [MEN]	Inter University	Under AIU	Fourth Place
		CHRI SPO FEST	Christ University	Runners up
		SPHYGMUS	JNC	Runners up
		VIE ALL INDIA	Jain University	4 th Place
3	THROWBALL [Women]	CHRI SPO FEST	Christ University	Winners
		Satyabama All India	Satyabama University	Winners
			Maharani's Arts & S	Winners
		SPIEL	SJA&S	Winners
		State League	Bhagath Singh Club	Winners
		SPIEL	SJCC	Runners Up
		BNM	BNM College	Runner Up
4	BASKETBALL [Women]	SPHYGMUS	JNC	Runners up
		VIE ALL INDIA	Jain University	4 th Place
5	Table Tennis Women	VIE ALL INDIA	Jain University	4 th Place
6	Hockey	VIE ALL INDIA	Jain University	4 th Place
7	Tennis Men	CHRI SPO FEST	Christ University	Runners up



Men's Basketball Team went to JNT University, Kakinada in which they placed 4th position in the South Zone Inter University competition and qualified for All India Inter University competition.

Men's & Women's Badminton teams went to Manipal University.

Apoorva Sidhu of 3rd BBM represented the University in Women's Tae Kwondo at Satyabama University, TN.

Prajwal from 3rd year BA (PSECo) won a silver medal in the men's 25 m Breast Stroke and a gold in relay in the VIE Tournament conducted by SBM Jain University.

Following student has represented the Indian Basketball Team in the Asian Basketball Championship [ABC] held at Mongolia.

Karan Joshua - II BCom – U-19 Junior Men

Isaac Thomas – I BCom represented Karnataka State U-18 Junior men team.

Roopa S – III BCom, Vishaka R N – III BA, Bindu S – I BCom & Robert Sebastian – III BCom represented Karnataka State Throwball team.

The annual Athletic meet was held on 6 and 7 December 2013 at the University grounds.

Maj.General Charles Rodrigues was the Chief Guest.

SUSHMITHA-I Bcom & NITHYA R – II Bsc won the individual championship in the women's section.

KRANTHI KUMAR A, III BBA won the individual championship in the men's section.



Results of Inter Deanery/Class Tournament

SI NO	EVENT	WINNERS	RUNNER UP
1	BASKETBALL (MEN)	I & II BCom	III BA Philosophy
2	BASKETBALL (WOMEN)	School of Law	Humanities & Science
3	CRICKET	MBA Kengeri	BHM
4	FOOTBALL (MEN)	PG	Christ University Faculty of Engineering
5	VOLLEYBALL (MEN)	III BCOM	Kengeri Campus
6	THROWBALL	BA	BCOM

Department had organised games competition for the staff during the month of November and December 2013.



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aspects of Business, Finance, PPP etc. and 61 Research papers in National and International Journals, Magazines and Newspapers. He has also published five books on Management, Cost and Finance, and Two Monographs. He was honoured with the Bhartiya Rastriya Vocational Excellence Award in 2007 & Mohammad Yunus Economic Development Award in 2006. Dr. DNS Kumar, Ph.D, CMA (USA)

Please tell us about the major research programs taken up by faculty members in Christ University?

Research and continuing activity form the backbone of a university. Traditionally, universities have been the centres for research, though the government has a network of science and technology laboratories for research & development, the major base for research remain within the universities.

Accordingly Christ University, Bangalore, assumes a responsive role in order to promote advanced academic research in diversified disciplines through the establishment of the Centre for Research-Projects in 2010. The Centre for Research-Projects in its endeavour to help society, businesses and enterprises to manage risk and uncertainty has different professional groups, who assist and take up 'pure' and 'applied' research assignments. This research projects focus on various issues related to the economy, society, industry, government agencies etc. in the form of major research projects (MRPs), research monographs, and working papers.

The major research projects conceived by the Centre and executed by faculty members of Christ University at different levels in social sciences, natural and physical sciences and applied science disciplines, not only adds significant value to the society but are also important in the ever changing global scenario. The monograph, which is an in-depth study on a specific theme, concept or model, doctrine; treatise or a report is published by the Centre to provide an in-depth insight to drive further research or application. Another level is the Working Paper or Work paper that the Centre publishes and which provides scholars opportunity to further deliberate and expand the knowledge frontier.

After inception, the Centre has approved 47 MRPs, 23 monographs, and 20 working papers. The track record has been two MRPs, three Monographs and nine Working papers.

How do you think the quality of research can be maintained and students can be encouraged to take up original research instead of just copying off others?

For all the above projects, faculty members, industrial executives, scientists from institutions/organizations like the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore; Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore; Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore; National Law School of India University, Bangalore; Karnataka University, Dharwad; Gulbarga University, Gulbarga; Bangalore University, Bangalore; PHILIPS, Bangalore; Institute for Fiscal Policy (Government of Karnataka),

Bangalore; Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore; AzimPremji University, Bangalore; Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Trivandrum; ISRO, Bangalore etc., are involved in the review of proposals and bi-annual reviews. These projects are approved with due internal vetting, external review and personal defence of proposal before a duly constituted committee with a Vice-Chancellor's nominee. The highlights of the projects are: bi-annual reviews with external experts, publication of research papers, presentations at seminars/conferences, involvement of students, discussion with colleagues, inter-disciplinary approaches, panel discussions, interaction with experts, field surveys, involvement of departmental/deanery colleagues, and engagement of students.

Please tell us about the Academic staff college in Christ University?

Christ University recognizes its role as a transformer of value education with the motto 'Excellence and Service' to create an appropriate learning platform for its teachers has established an Academic Staff College in 2011. The CU-Academic Staff College conducts orientation, refresher and quality improvement programs to augment the skill levels, knowledge and competency of faculty members. The CU-Academic Staff College has a duly constituted a Board of Studies, members being nominated by the Vice-Chancellor, and all Deans/Associate Deans, Personnel Officer and Registrar being the ex-officio members; and an Academic Advisory Committee chaired by the Vice Chancellor with due representation from faculty members, Deans, two external experts, Registrar, Chairman, Board of Studies of ASC as members, and Chief Finance Officer and Personnel Officer as special invitees, to deliberate on need, significance, time frame, and financial approval aspects of the programmes.

How is it benefiting the faculty members of Christ University?

The orientation programs are for Assistant Professors in the grades of IV and V which highlight the various aspects of higher education, academic leadership, value education, innovative methods of teaching – learning pedagogy, etc. The Refresher programs for Professors/Associate Professors and Assistant Professors grade III and above, emphasizes the contemporary and applied aspects of knowledge in different disciplines leading to advancement in research and consultancy with a focus on multi-disciplinary approaches. The Quality Improvement Programmes (QIP) is about domain knowledge and aimed at all faculty members on capstone areas is subject-specific.

How many programs has it organized till date for their academic development?

The CU-ASC has so far completed seven orientation and 15 refresher programs, apart from four quality improvement program. The topics pertaining to the programs are discussed well in advance with participants and their inputs taken. The external resource persons are drawn from across the country and to name a few, Dr. Arun Nigvekar- former Chairman UGC; Dr M I Savadatti, former Vice Chancellor, Mangalore University; Dr. M. M. Salunkhe, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Rajasthan, Dr PG Apte, former Director IIMB; Dr. Prasanna Chandra-Director CFM; Dr. A.M. Pathan-former VC of Karnatak University; Dr. Srinivas Saidapur-former VC of Karnatak University; Dr. Mathew Manimal-IIMB; Dr. Erode Prabhakar-IISc; Mr. Ravi Das Gupta-Biocon; Mr. Srinidhi Parthasarathi; Dr. Gururaj Karajagi- ACT; Mr. Sanjay Padode-Dalal Streets; Dr. J. D. Singh-New Delhi; Dr. L.S Ganesh-IIT, Chennai; Dr. R.S. Deshpande, ISEC among others. In addition, CU faculty members are encouraged to function as resource persons. Reading material is provided to the participants of the courses who are further required to take an exam to evaluate their proficiency.

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GRADUATION DAY



Under the shimmering sky on a much awaited evening, scores of fervent minds stood on the precipice of another chapter in their lives. Eager faces entered the Christ University auditorium, excited to participate in their highly anticipated Graduation Day.

The much awaited graduation day took place on two days, 25 and 26 of May 2013. The graduation ceremony for students of Humanities and Social Sciences, Deanery of Sciences and the Faculty of Engineering took place on 25 May, during the morning. Students were addressed by an inspiring speech by the Chief Guest Dr. Devi Shetty which proved to be a catalyst to the already flourishing fire that thrived in these graduates. The same evening students of the Deanery of commerce and management celebrated this jubilous occasion.

On 26 May, 2013 the PG students along with the students of MBA graduated from this prestigious University. Clad in black

and gold the function began with an inspiring speech from our Vice Chancellor Rev Dr Father Thomas C Matthew, which was followed by inviting the countless graduates to receive their well earned laurels.

NamrataShukla (BSc), Nitesh Dhul (BCom), Rahul R(BBM), along with Dharmendra Chatur(LLB), Girish Haridas (MBA) and Tanya Nicole (BHM) were a few of the students bestowed with the prestigious Endowment Gold Medals, that they received for their impeccable performance during their tenure at the University; both academic and otherwise..

All in all, the evening was nothing short of an unconditional success, with the University sending out yet another batch of inspired, blooming and eager individuals, looking to make it big in the cutthroat world that exists outside these sturdy walls.



BASHA UTSAV



The air was palpable with excitement. The long awaited day was here again, the day the Christ family looked forward to. Bhasha Utsav, the festival which turned the whole campus into a riot of colours , a day filled with native music and dance, a day which made one revel at the richness of one's culture and tradition!

As the beautiful ethnic procession inched its way gracefully to the Main Auditorium accompanied by the harmonious sound of the nadaswaram , there was pride, joy and a sense of unity writ large on the faces, spanning different continents. It was then the turn of the folk dances, the *Pooja Kunitha* of Karnataka, the Maldivian



dance, the *Oppana*, *Thiruvathira* and the *Duffmuttu* of Kerala, the Nepali and the Tibetan dance to take the stage. The moment which enthralled the audience was when the chief guest, Mr. Puneet Rajkumar, cineartist arrived and even did a jig on stage giving in to popular request.

Once outside, the *chenda singari melam*, the *veera gase* and the *neyandi melam* troupes kept the music going, as Christites danced madly, throwing all inhibitions to the winds.

But like all good things, Bhasha Utsav'13 too had to come to an end and it did, leaving behind sweet memories of Friday, 6 September'13



ALUMNI MEET



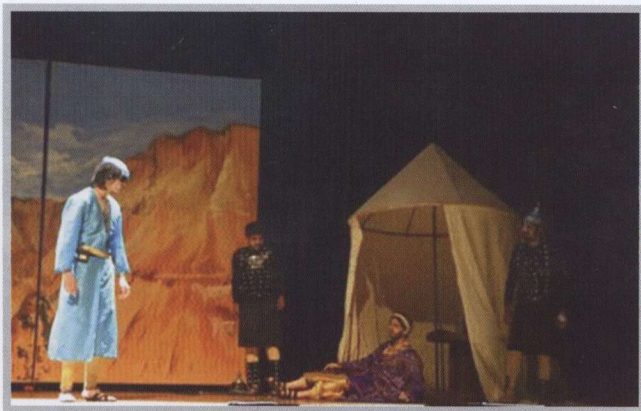
It was another reunion of heart and soul and of Christite bonding, when the alumni gathered in the campus on January 26, earmarked as Alumni Meet. The Alumni Association is growing from strength to strength under the able leadership of Mr. Jungnu Uberoi, whose unlimited exuberance is the secret of the success of the Alumni Association. The Alumni Association organized the Fun Fiesta for teachers and students at the beginning of the academic year to foster that sense of bonhomie and camaraderie. Later during the Alumni Meet they also helped in convening the general meeting in the auditorium with cultural programmes and interactions followed by sumptuous dinner. The Alumni Association, May your tribe increase!



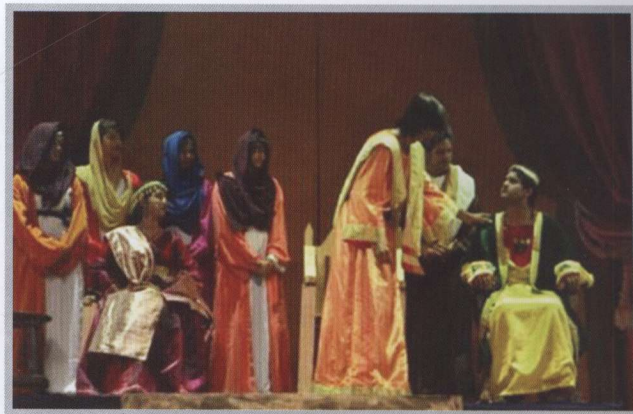
THE ANOINTED

This is a first-hand account of an actor- Rubina, in the Mega Production, The Anointing. The play was based on the biblical story of David and Goliath. Directed by veteran Mrs. Esther Yates, the play was scripted and produced by the students of Christ University.

Life is a journey which each one of us undertake. What distinguishes us on this journey, is the path we choose to follow. The story of my life in Christ University will never be complete without the chapter of the Christ University theatre mega-production. In my first year, when I decided to be a part of the Christ University mega production little did I know that I am

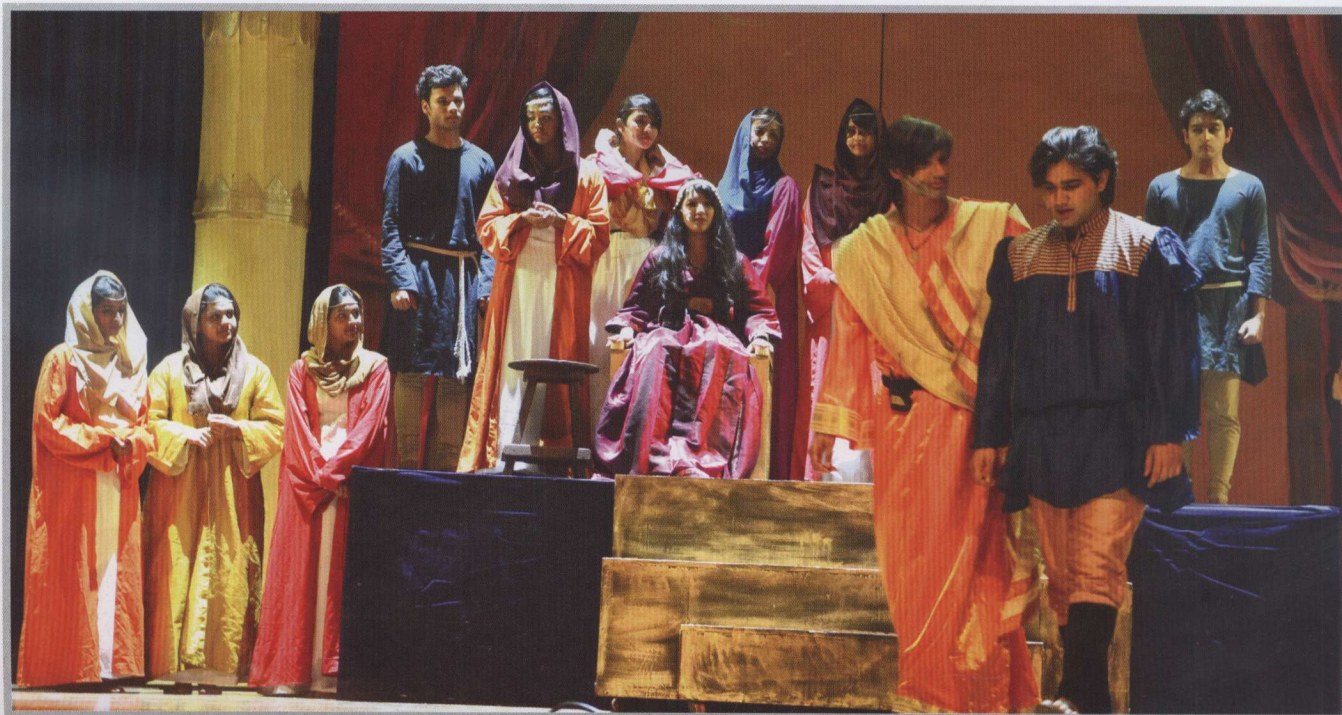


engaging myself in a relationship that is not bound by a time frame of three years, but rather a commitment that is made for a lifetime. Among all the three mega-productions, "The Anointing" is closest to my heart and has touched my life multi-dimensionally. It never failed to involve every bit of my heart and soul at every step, right from its conception in May 2013 till its execution on March 1st 2014.



In these 11 months, Christ University has taught me so much, not limited just to the academic sphere and contributing to my overall holistic development. The time spent working for Anointing was probably the toughest time of my life because as a part of Mega production, one is faced with real life challenges, taught to overcome obstacles, has to learn to aim for perfection and constantly pushed towards exploring and increasing your own capabilities. Be it the enacting of the life of King David, from his victory to his repentance or the logistics involved with having more than 150 students in the cast and crew, to the long, exhausting and exhilarating practice sessions, everything brought meaning to my life.

The main source that kept me going through the hardest of times was Mrs. Esther Yates the director of the mega-production. To sum up my experience of Anointing I would say it gave me firsthand experience of what life is outside the secure walls of university, leaving me with memories to last a life time.

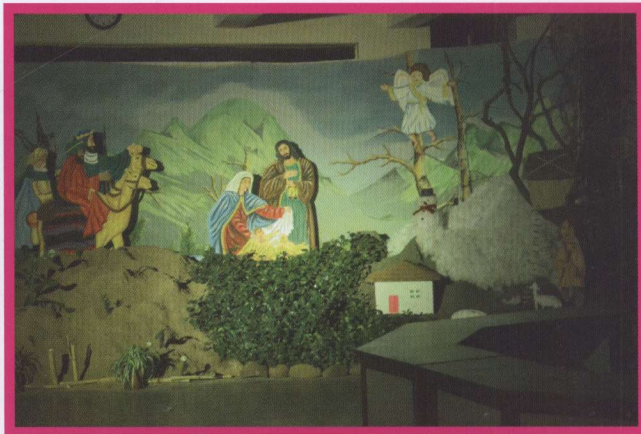


CHRISTMAS & RECTOR'S DAY



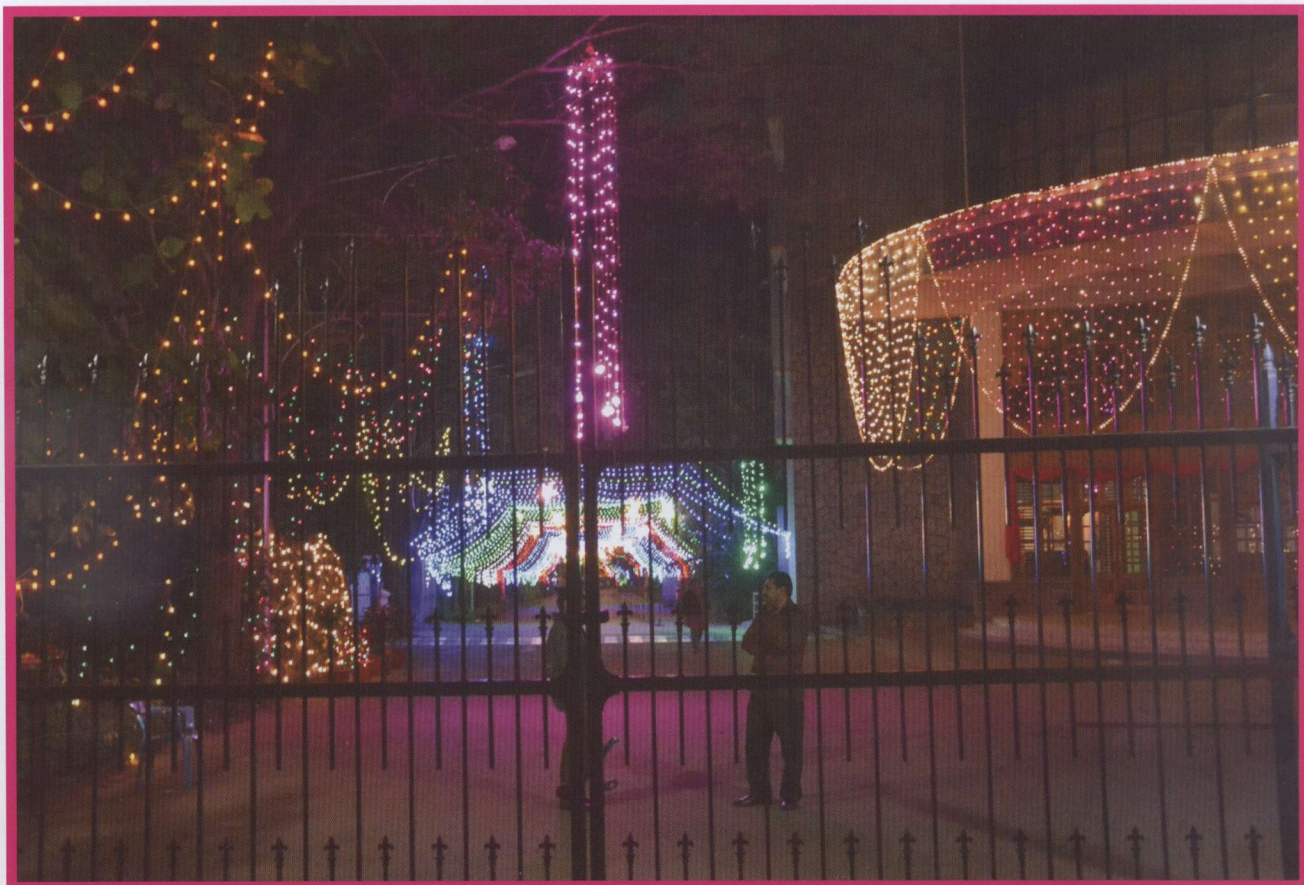
Christmas Day

Yule tidings, bells and baubles, carols and stars and a general spirit of hope and happiness decorate the Christ University campus in December. The campus decks herself to usher the season of good tidings and everywhere, one finds the lights and the stars and the creative recreation of the Nativity scene in all the blocks of the campus. Christmas is celebrated in classes with delicious cakes being served and secret angels bringing in gifts. The ACC organizes the Christmas celebrations with carol singing and other events in the Main auditorium. Laughter and merriment ring out in the campus in keeping with the spirit of Christmas.



Rector's Day

The rector who is also the Chancellor of the university hosts a dinner on the festive season of Christmas for the Christ University family. The University reciprocates the kind gesture in the form of cultural events performed by the teaching and non-teaching staff of the university. Gifts are exchanged and priceless moments of happiness stored in the memory to cherish for years to come.



GRATITUDE DAY & FAREWELL DAY

Gratitude Day

Christ University commemorated Friday, 07th of March, 2013 as 'Gratitude Day', which was organized by the Student Welfare Office and Student Council.

Students and staff of every deanery and all the Student Communities of the University assembled in front of the Central Block.

This was a day to appreciate and thank every member in the University campus, from the Vice Chancellor to the gardeners tending to our lawns, and the security personal at our entrances, for all that has been done to make the year gone by an eventful and successful one.

Our Vice Chancellor, Col. (Dr.) Fr. Thomas. C. Mathew addressed the entire student body and staff members.

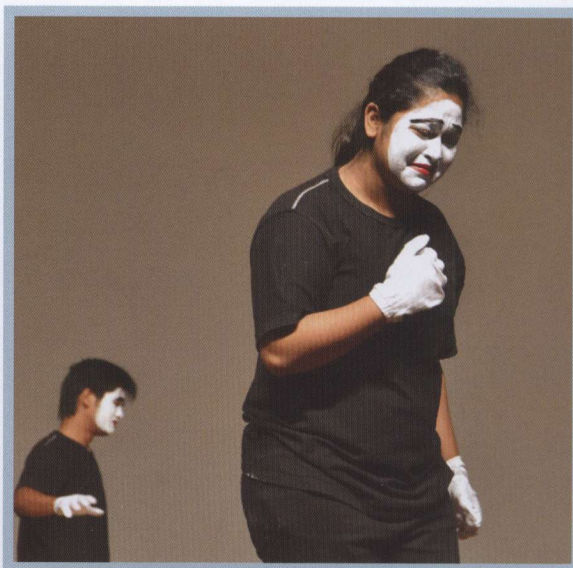
To symbolize unity in mission, vision and purpose, around 7000 students and staff of every deanery sang together in unison, Michael Jackson's & Lionel Richie's '**We are the World**' which was lead by the Christ University choir & Student council members.

The 1st year student council members were given badges by the Vice Chancellor as they were inducted into their responsibilities to the student council which was organized and conducted by Prof. Johny Joseph and Prof. Jyothi Kumar.

The University Choir performed a set of 3 songs after our Vice chancellor addressed the students about 'Gratitude Day' and the academic year gone by and expressing his thanks to each department for making the academic year 2013-14 an eventful one.

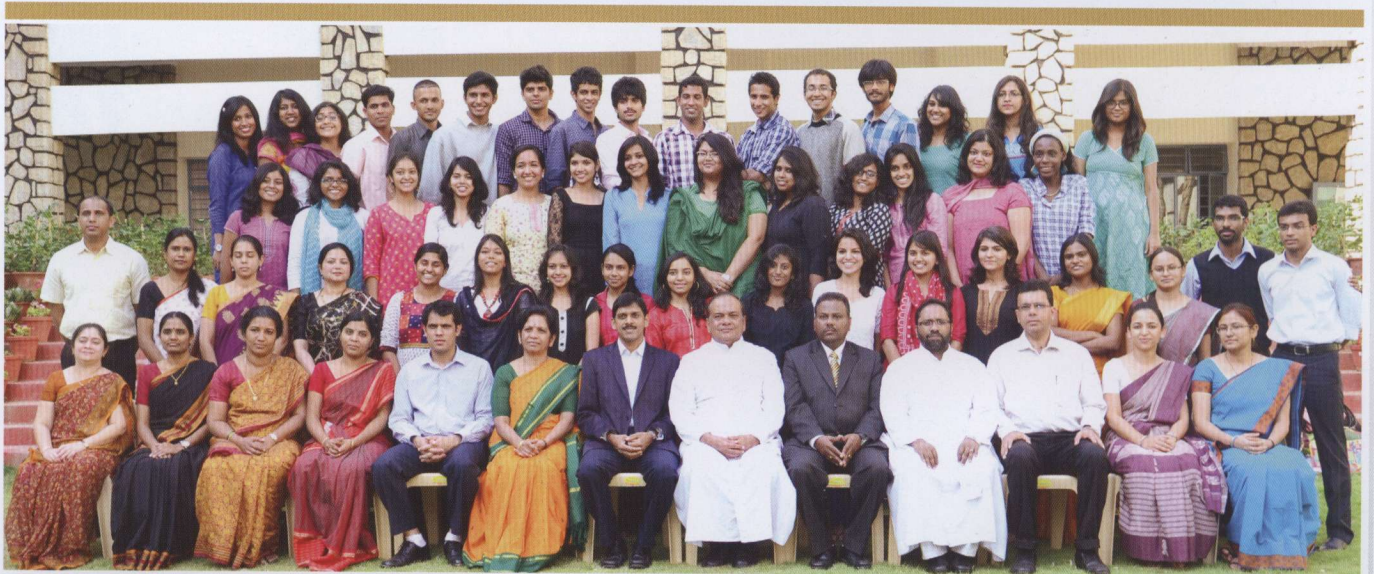
Farewell Day

The SWO organized the Farewell Day for the outgoing students. The second year students put up cultural events for the seniors reaffirming the fact that it is a family and that the seniors are loved for all the values they have passed down to their juniors and sorely missed, when they walk out of the portals of the university as graduates. It is a show of gratitude and pride for the seniors.





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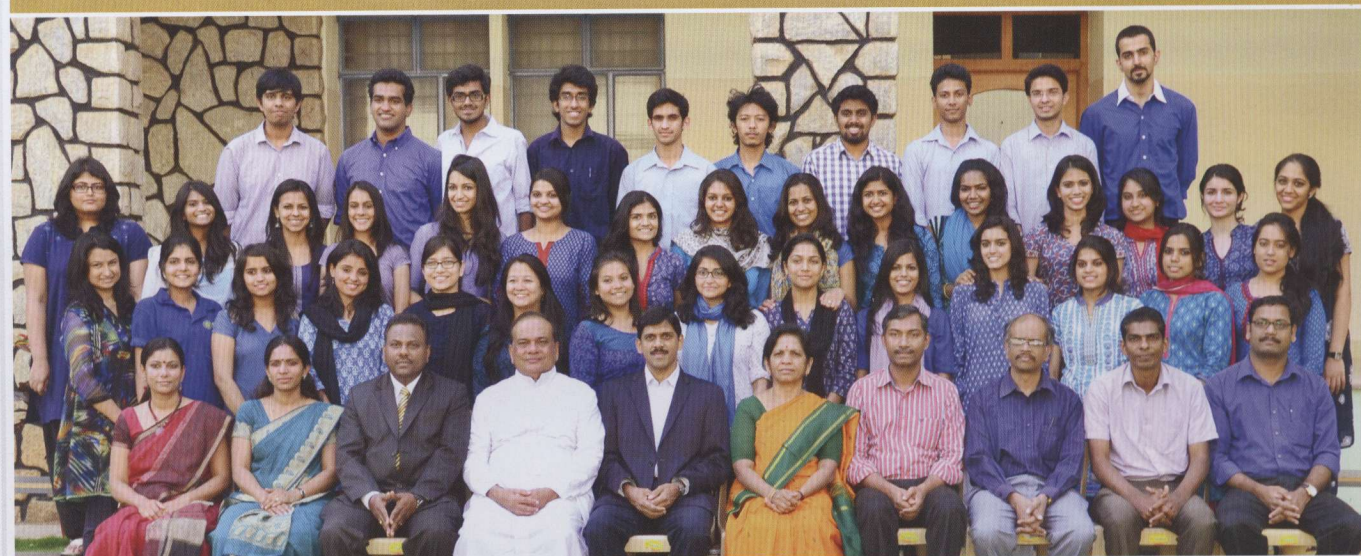
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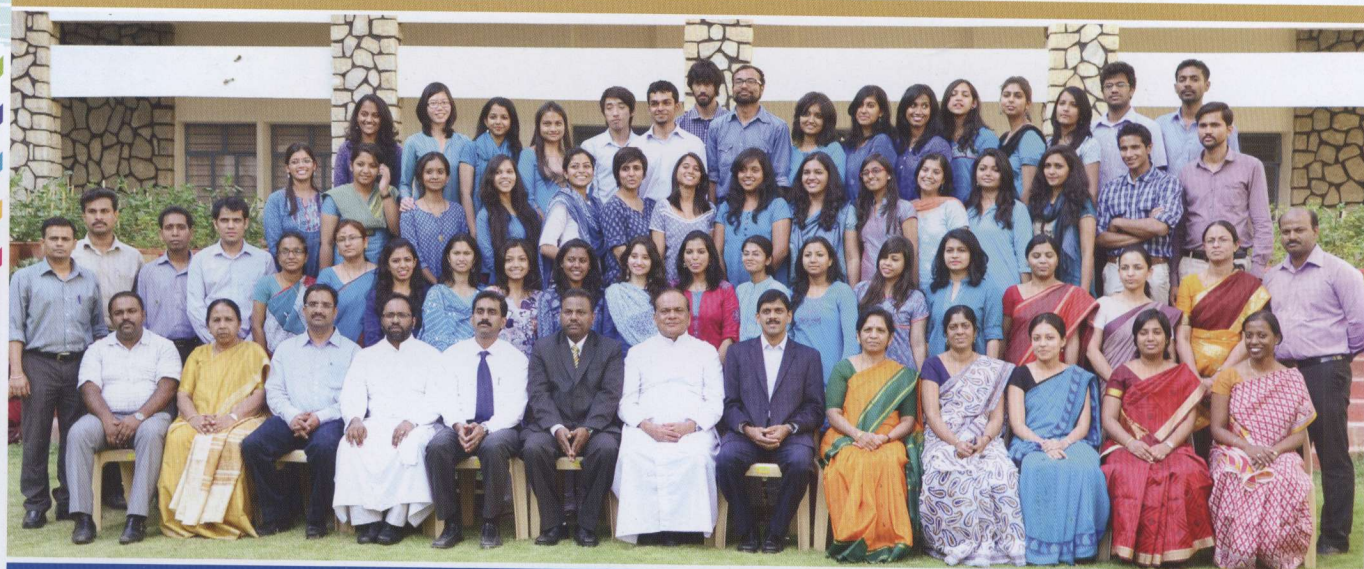
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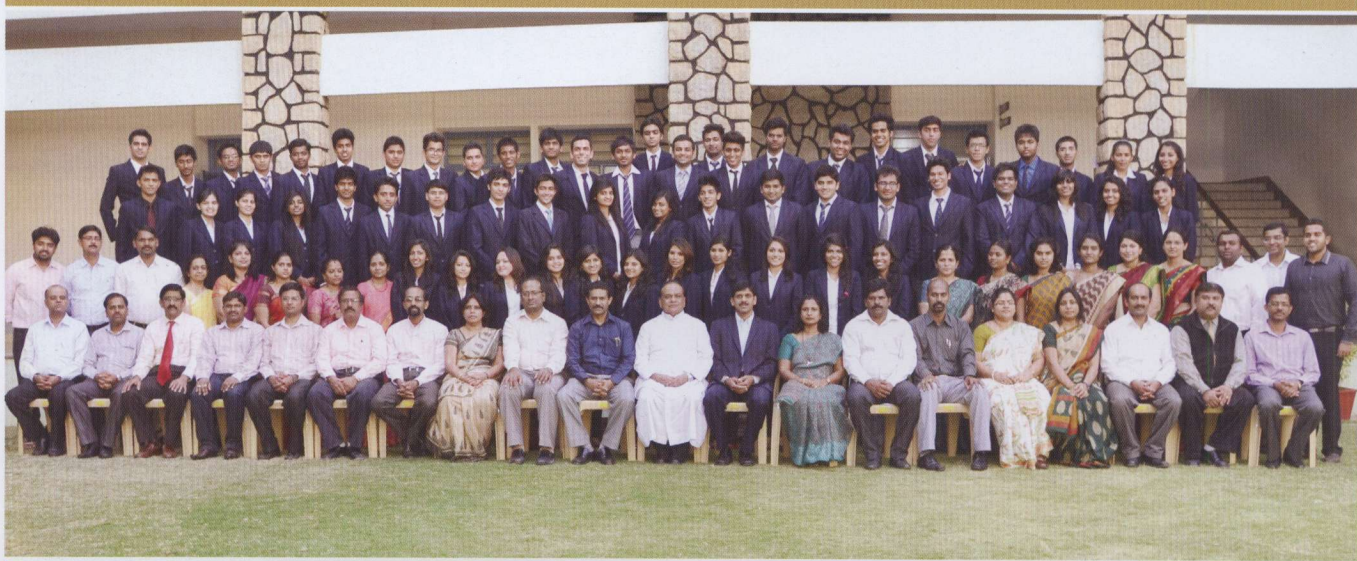
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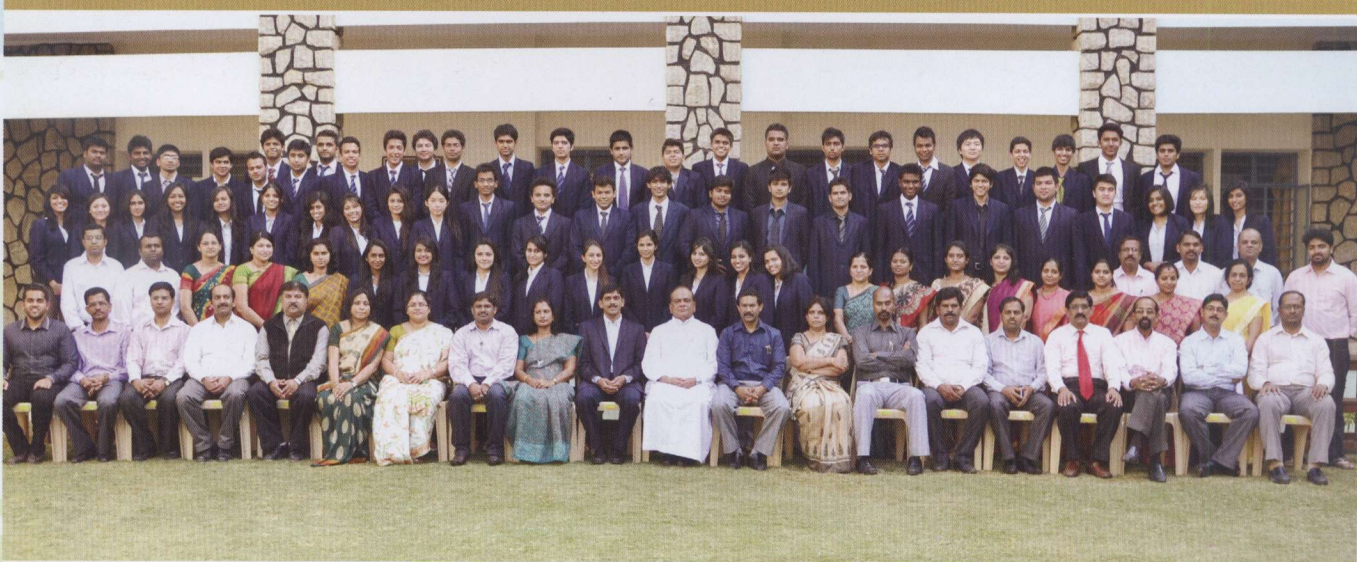
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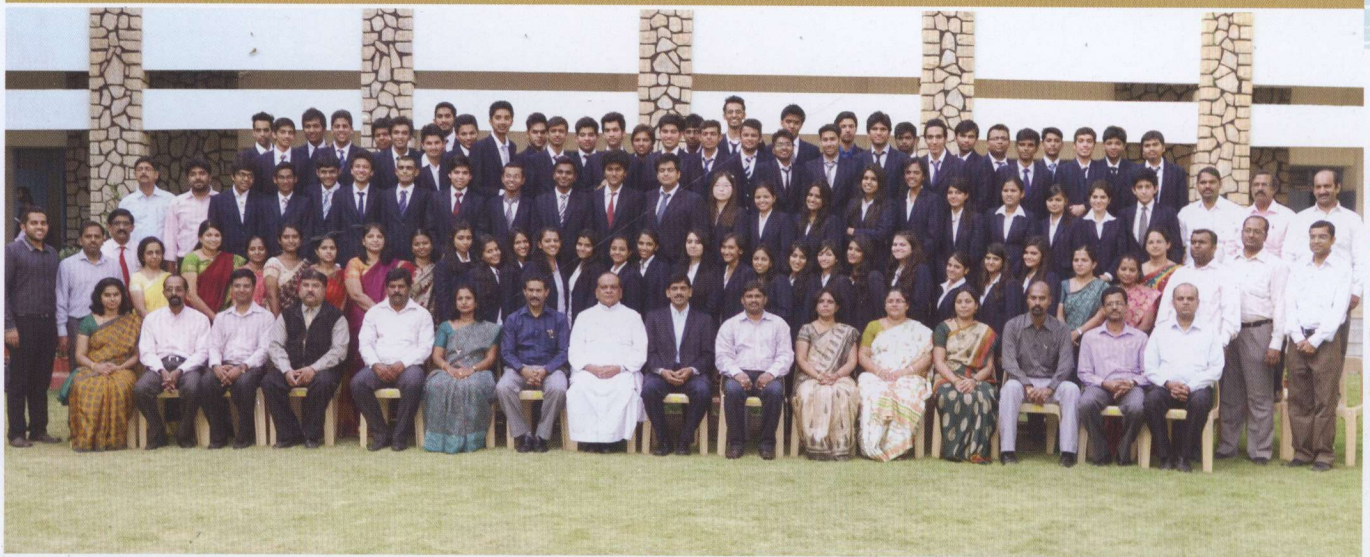
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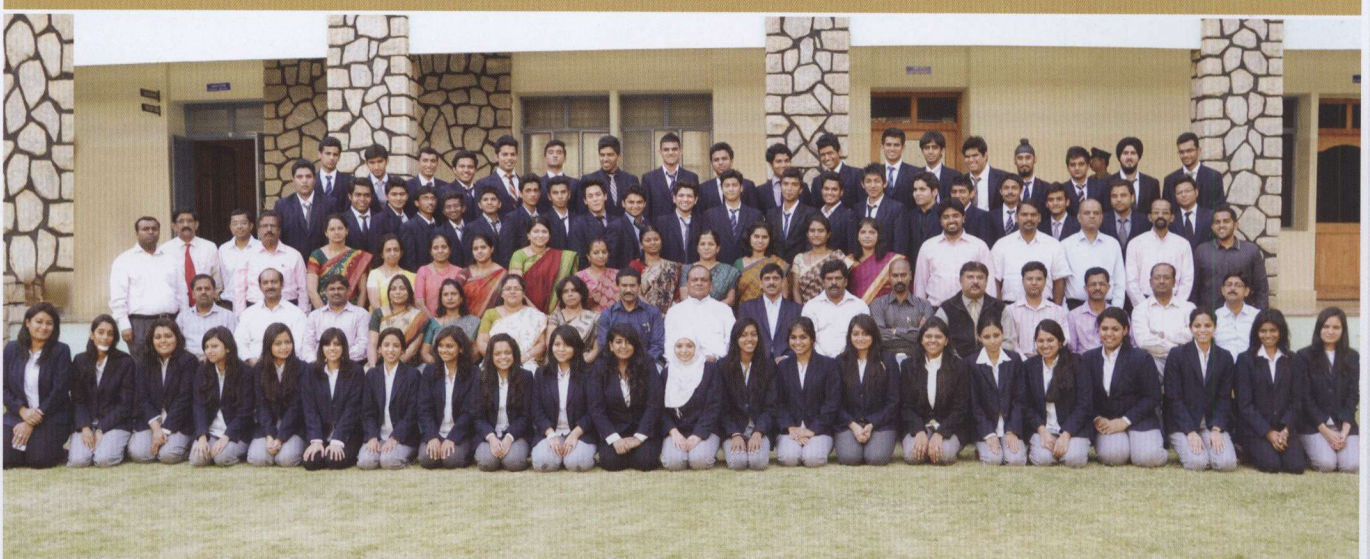
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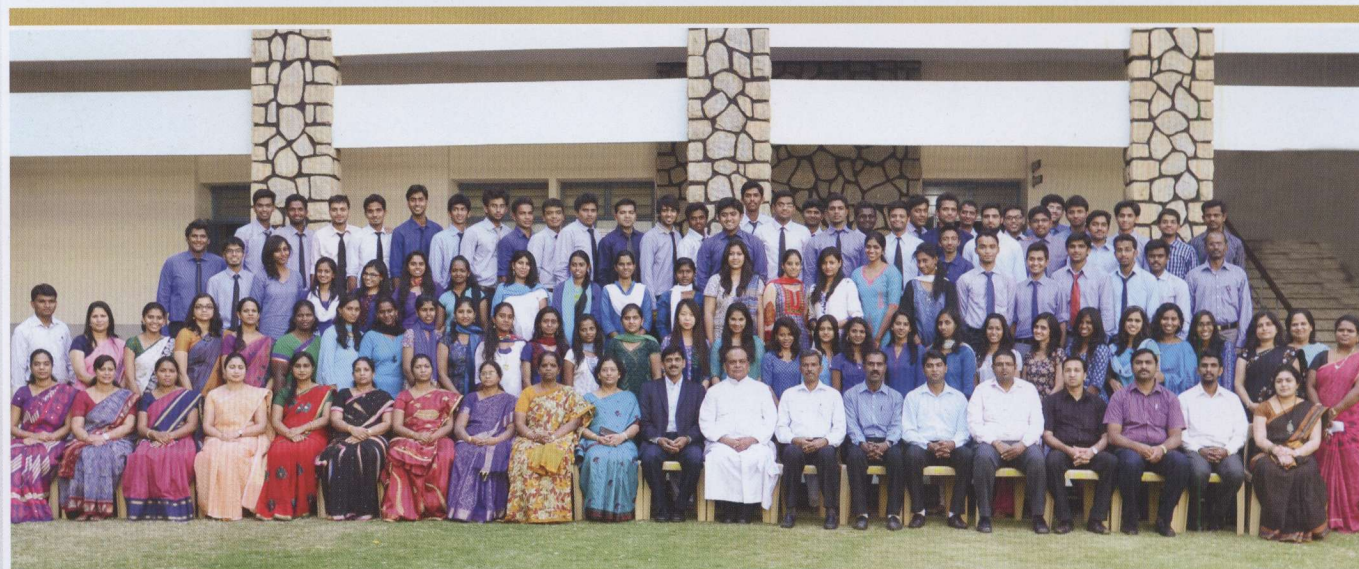
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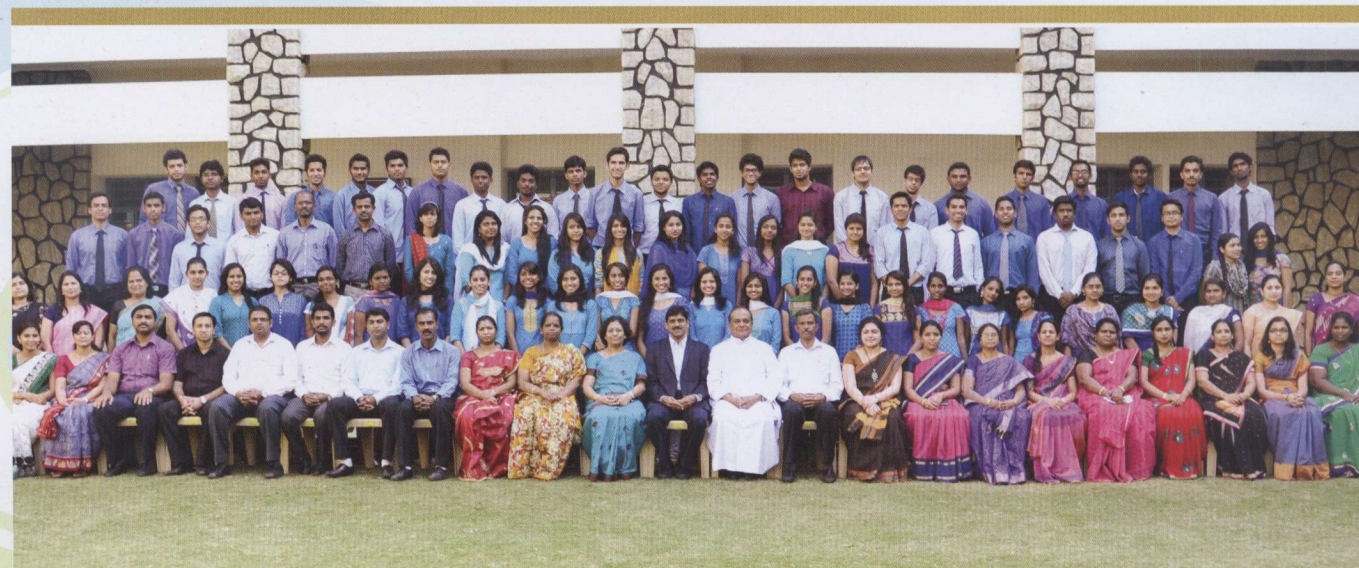
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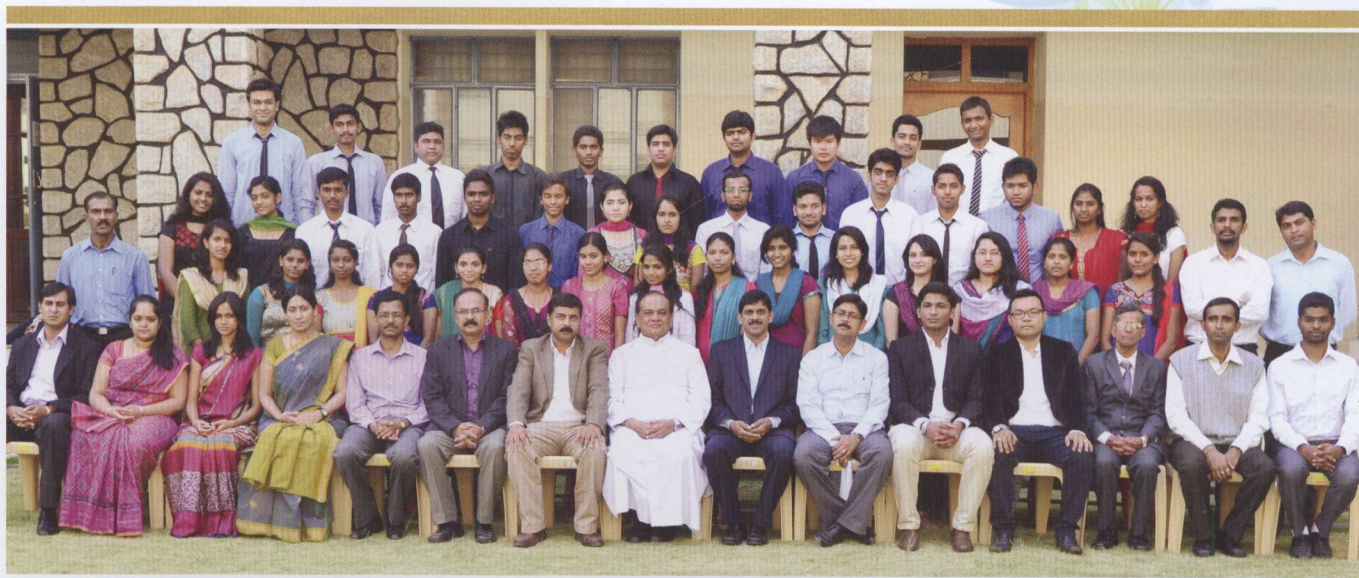
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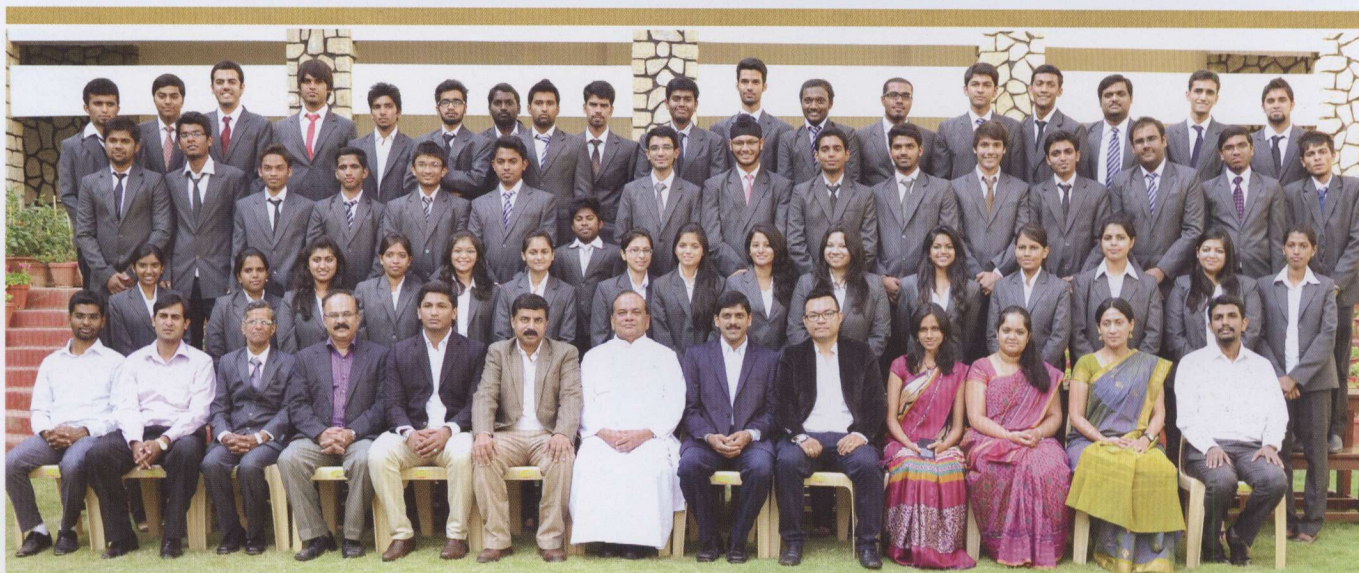
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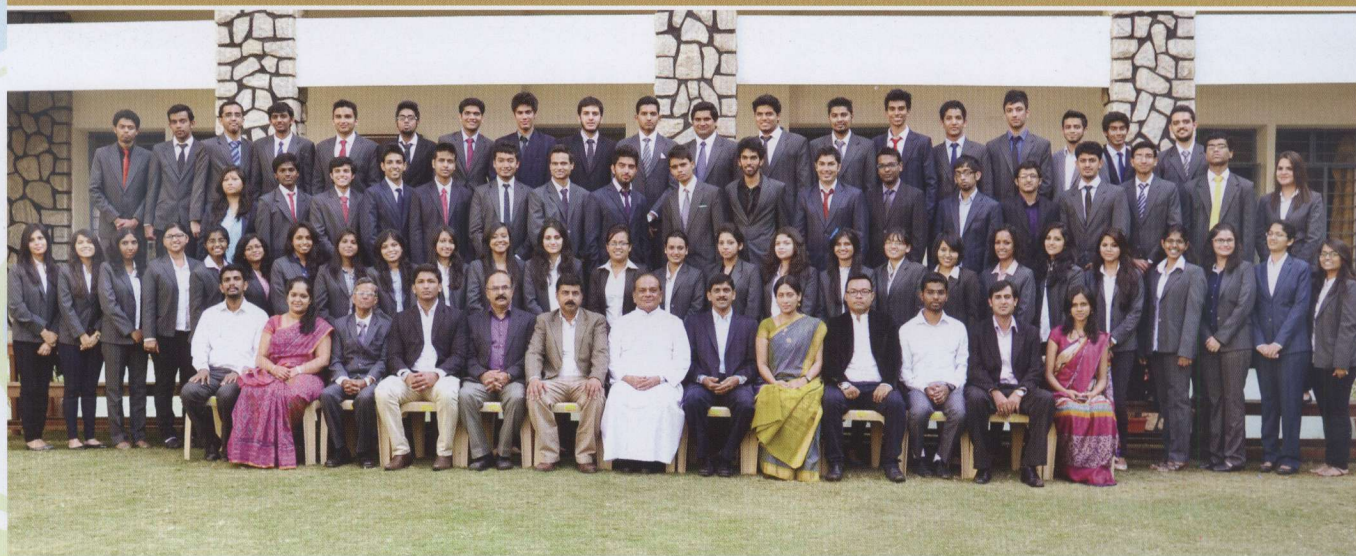
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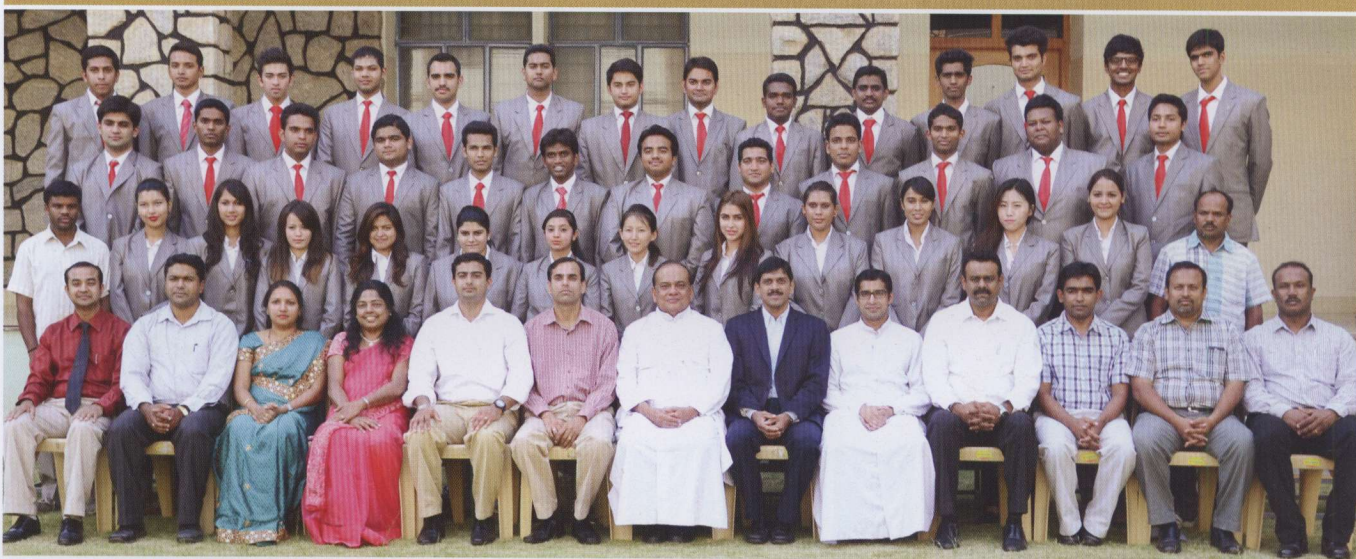
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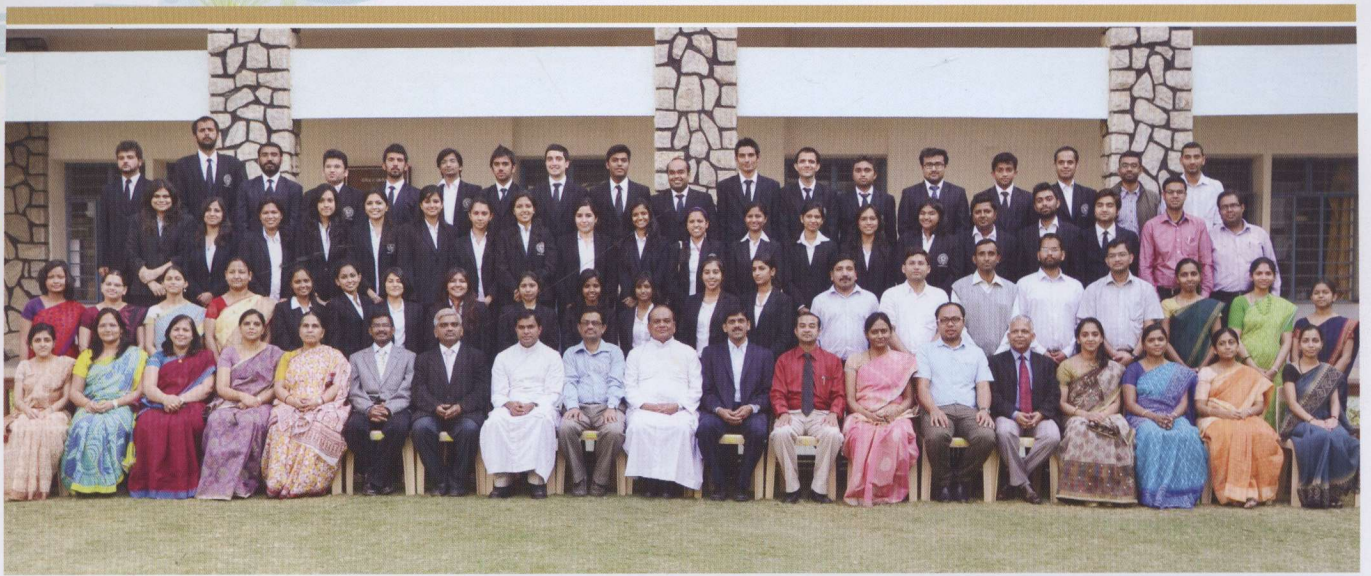
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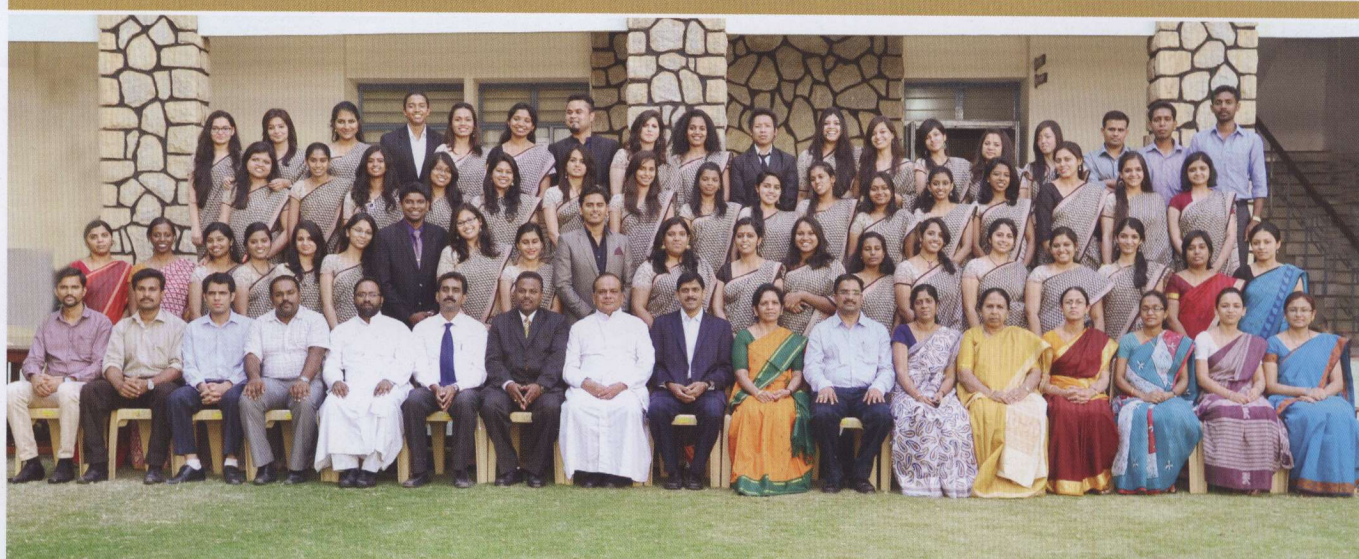
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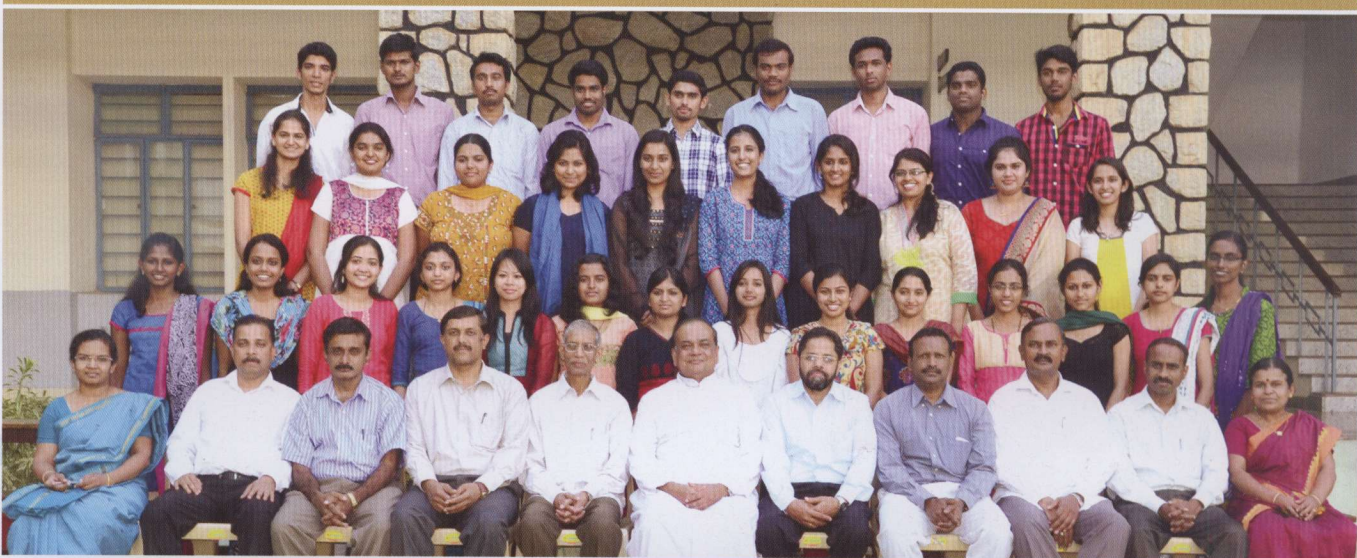
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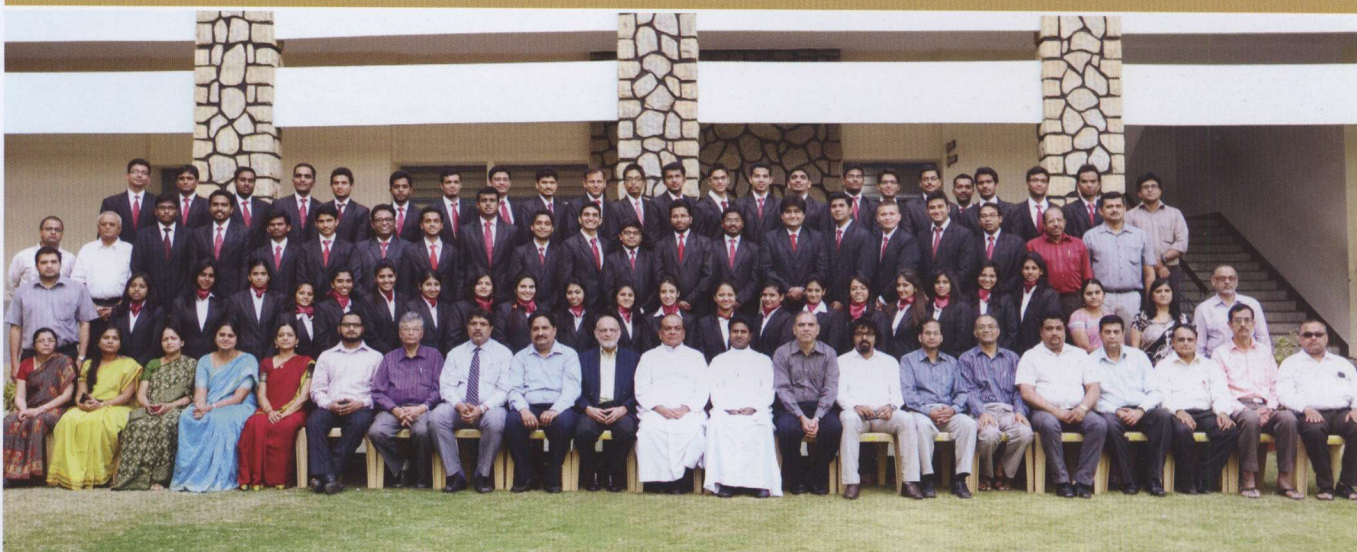
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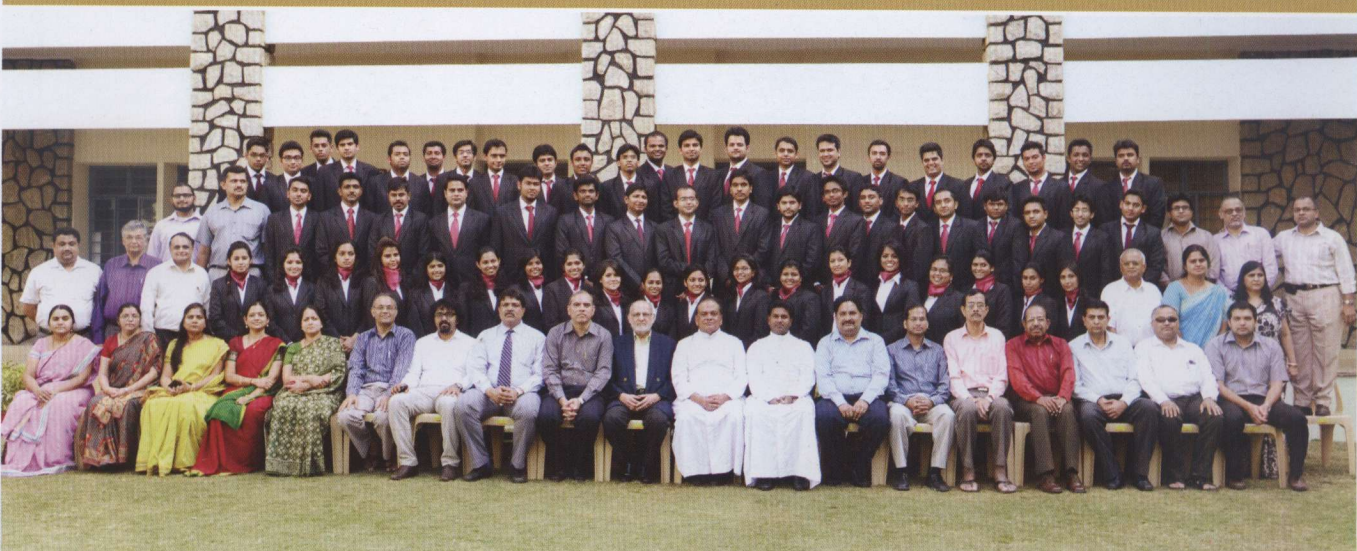
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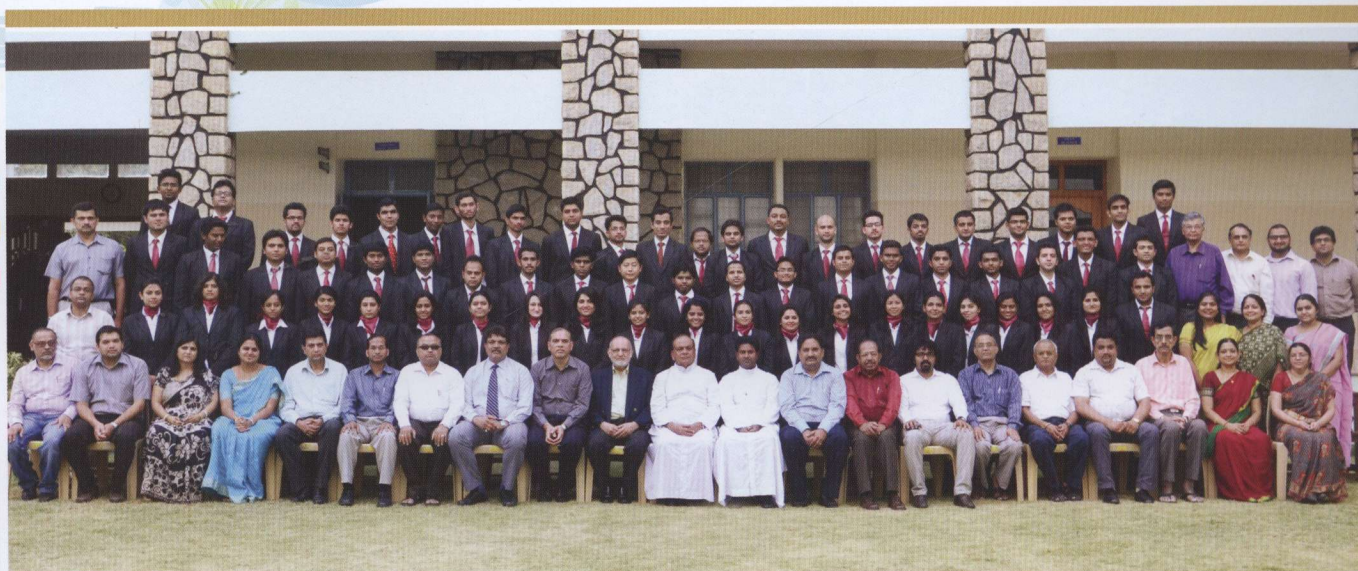
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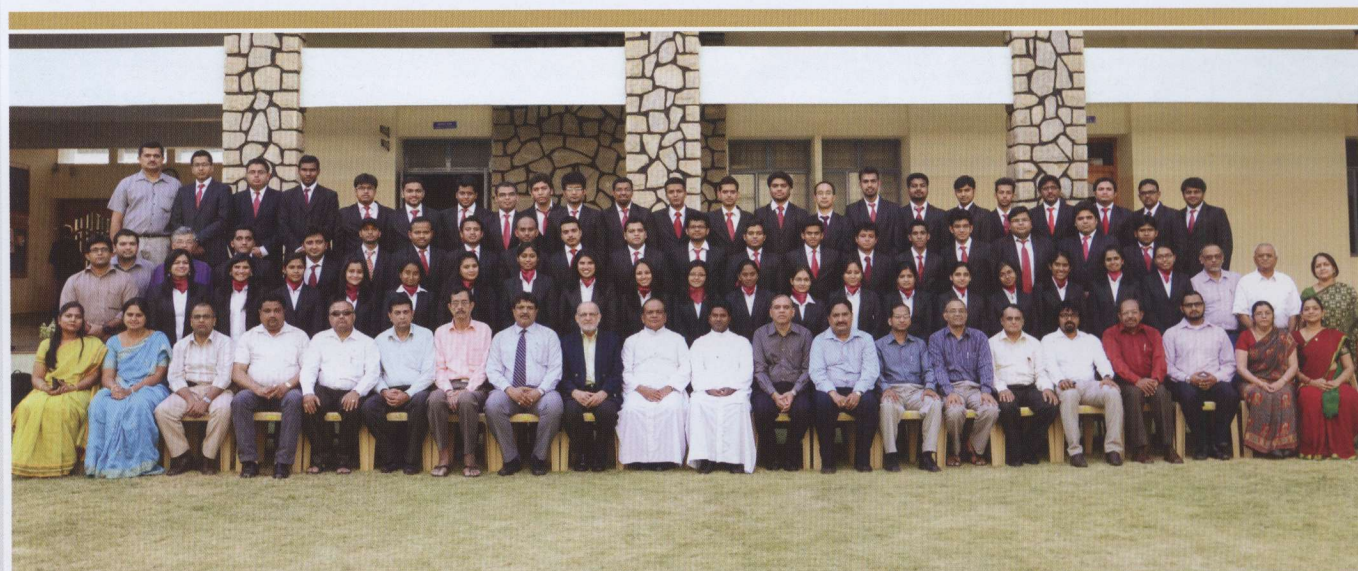
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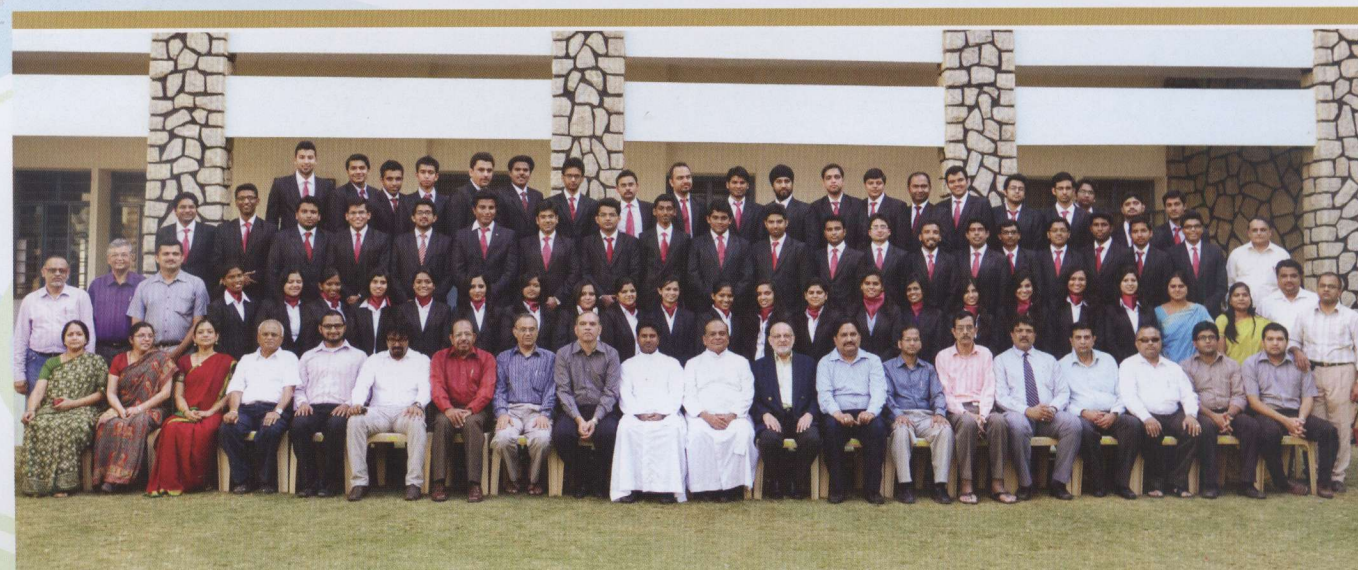
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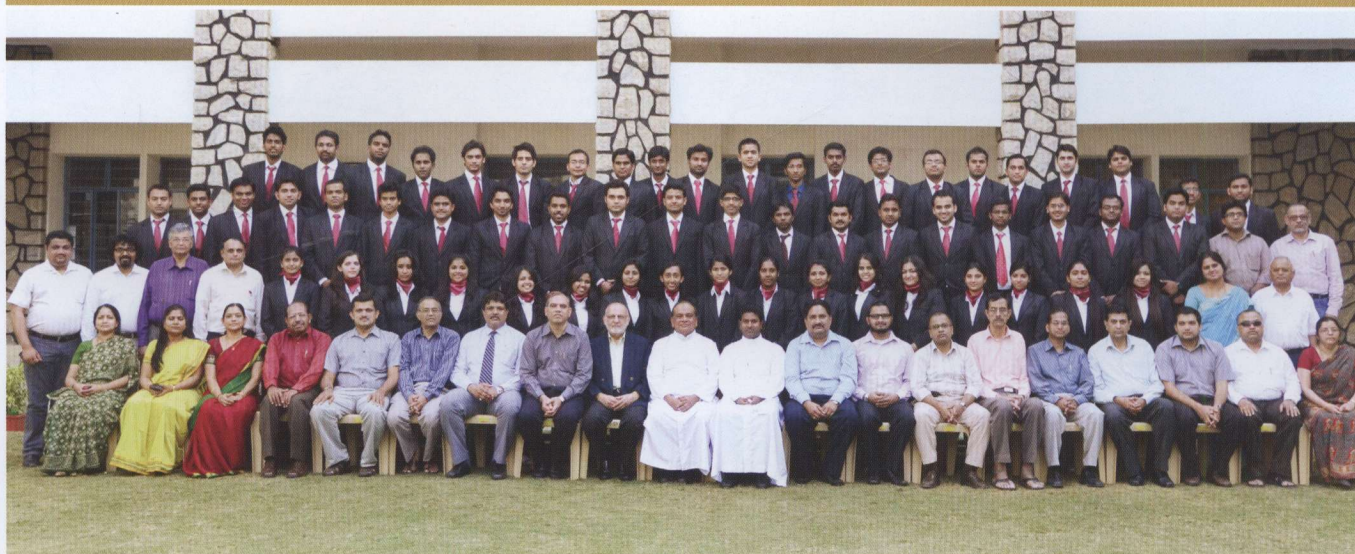
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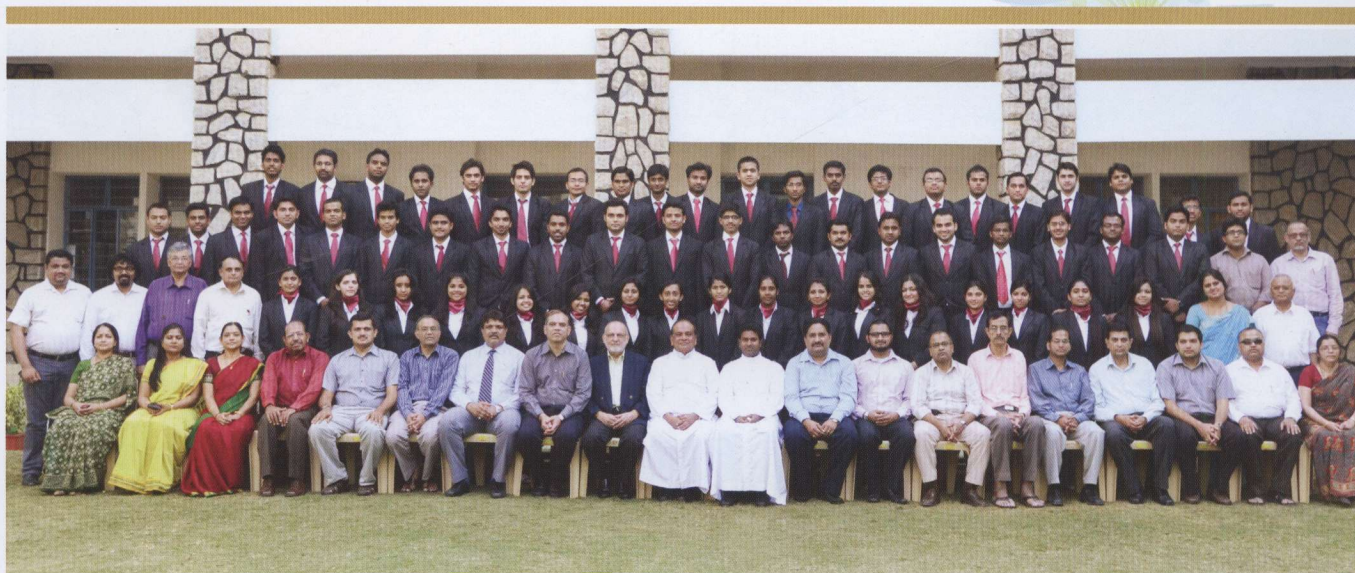
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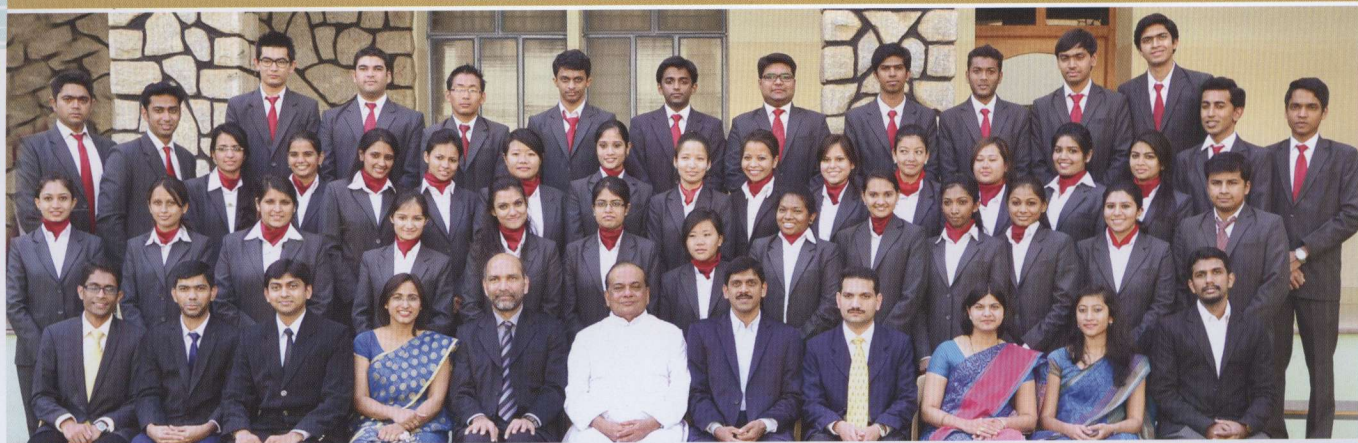
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Department of Management Studies



CUIM MBA - Main Campus



CUIM MBA - Kengeri Campus



Faculty - Kengeri Campus



School of Law



Center for Research



Centre for Social Action



Centre for Counselling



Centre for International Affairs



Office of Student Welfare



IPM



Office of Examination



Office of Personnel Affairs



Office of Placement



Office of Information Technology



Office of Accounts



Office of Admission



Non - Teaching Faculty Kengeri Campus



Supporting Staff - Kengeri Campus



Security Personnel - Kengeri Campus



Security Personnel - Main Campus



SWO Choir



SWO Cultural Team



SWO Volunteer Body



Natyarpana Dance Team



SWO Quiz Association



Peer Education Team



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Afterword

Hello Readers!

This is the second issue of Christite that CCD is presenting to you. Christite 2014 is an academic chronicle capturing the significant events of the year conducted by the different Departments, Centres and Offices of Christ University that helped the organic university to evolve, adapt and grow in stature and merit. It would be a cliché to say that this academic year 2013-14 was also eventful. Every year in Christ University is eventful. So then what made this year special? It was the coming together of the triad of teachers, students and technology to make a difference in the way knowledge is created, assimilated and distributed. This year we forfeited the luxury of time to implement and get results of our innovations. In this rapidly evolving time, we suddenly realize that we should race against time to make a mark. So, in the process of creating knowledge we no longer should allow time to determine the quality of our endeavours, we anticipate changes, by collaborating with stake holders and make changes so that every phase of the process is itself an end product.

This year we have included the Album segment to the issue with photographs of the Class of 2014, the departments and the various teams. CCD congratulates you on completing another stupendous year in and wishes you the best for the future.

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Children, you are God's investment in
the hands of your parents.

Trust your mother, God will hear your mother's
request like the baby's request.

Laziness fosters evil habits.

Good friends will make you good.

Regular reading of good books and
meditating on it will illumine the mind.

Your attire and sanctity ought to
be according to your age.

Your profession must be according
to your knowledge and age.

Do not be the cause for your parents
to shed tears on account of you.

The humble man is the greatest among men.

You belong to God and you should be given back to God

Pursue the path of truth and justice

Keeping bad books is like hiding fire in hay.



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