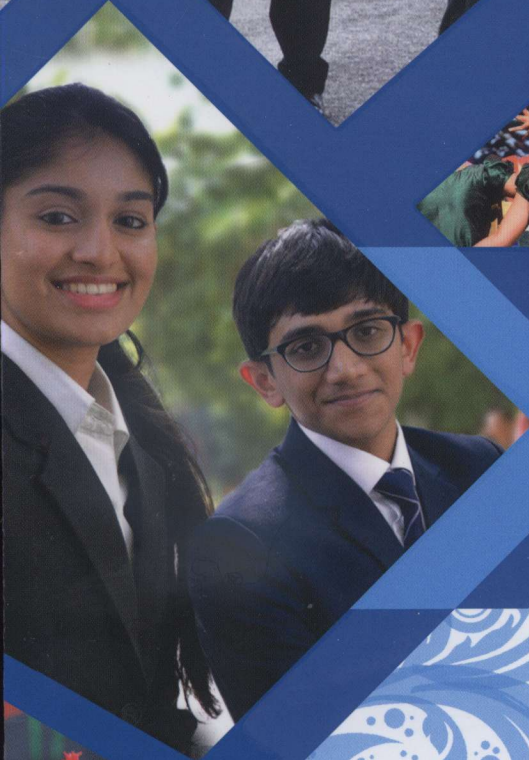




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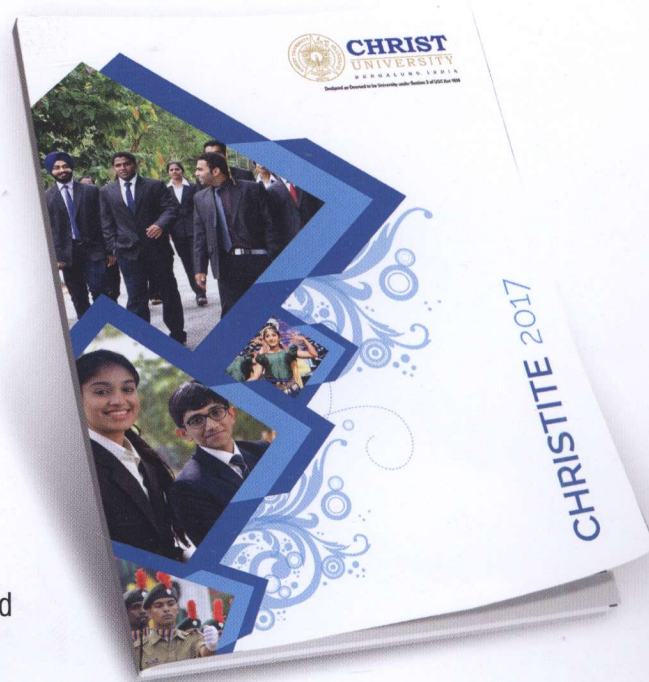
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Curricular and Co-Curricular Representations
of Christ University as a holistic nurturing ground



OUR LEADING LIGHT



JESUS CHRIST

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

OUR CORNERSTONE

OUR PATRON



ST. 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.

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Excellence and Service

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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.



Dr Fr Thomas Aykara CMI
Chancellor

I have always watched with utmost interest the careful planning and the collective vision that the Christ University family pursue and achieve year after year. It is a pleasure to see them confidently stride towards greater goals and accomplishments that they have set themselves to achieve. This academic year 2016 will go down in the history of the University as the year that the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) bestowed on them grade A. I am certain that the university is not going to rest on this laurel for work has already begun to make it a world class university. In this great expedition, the A grade is a summit they have successfully placed their flag on, it is an uphill climb and many more summits to set their banner before they reach their destination. I am confident Christ University will not waver, will not quit. Here is my supplication to the Lord Almighty that he fill every Christite with abundant grace and strength of perseverance so that they make excellence a habit, service their calling and success a reality.



Dr Fr George Edayadiyil, CMI
Newly Appointed Chancellor

Welcoming Dr Fr George Edayadiyil CMI, the Rector of Dharmaram College and the Chancellor of Christ University. His academic credentials bear testimony of his eclectic, multidisciplinary academic interests. Dr Edayadiyil has three undergraduate degrees in philosophy, theology and mathematics, and three postgraduate degrees in Mathematics and Sociology and Biblical Studies and PhD in Biblical Studies from St. Thomas Aquinas University, Italy.

Dr Edayadiyil has held a number of important administrative positions and has contributed to the development of several institutions including the Dharmaram Academy for Distance Education, Bengaluru. A teacher at heart, he is known for founding new institutions and organisations, and mobilization of civil society for social causes.

Dr Edayadiyil has a wide range of publications to his credit. *Jedaya Kathakal* (a collection of Malayalam Short Stories) and his book *Directory of Book Industry in Kerala*, deserve mention. He has written quite extensively on the historical backdrop of the exodus event in Israel. Two of his seminal works are *Exodus Event: Its Historical Kernel*, and *Beyond Exodus*.



Col Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew

Vice Chancellor

This academic year was momentous for Christ University as we witnessed our determined and concerted effort towards excellence and service find fruition in the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) giving us A grade . It is also a reminder that expectations are high, hurdles are many to overcome and the journey of making Christ University a world class institute is long and challenging as we grow in stature. As it always has been rising up to challenges boldly with an indefatigable attitude is the hallmark of Christites and our planning, pedagogy and administration will be in tandem with the needs and expectations of the 21st century learners and education. Wishing all members of the Christ family success in all their endeavours and praying that providence grant you the wisdom and the strength to persevere.



Dr Anil Joseph Pinto
Registrar

I would like to congratulate the Christites for making the academic year 2016-17 an eventful year of accomplishments and achievements for Christ University. The challenge of the 21st century education is that it is ever changing and our educational mindset should be aligned to the new realities of the 21st century which otherwise will be what Scott McLead warned us about in his book *Technology, Leadership and the Future School*- "our education will be dangerously irrelevant". The technological revolution and the media saturated society has brought in a new paradigm into our education; therefore, it is imperative to re-define the concept of education and re-visit our education system, curriculum, pedagogical and assessment practices. It is time to look at education for sustainable development. Christ University is well on its way to preparing learners to look at key sustainable development issues like climate change, disaster risk reduction, biodiversity, poverty reduction, and sustainable consumption by including them in the syllabus. Our learners are empowered to change their behaviour and take action for sustainable development and this in turn promotes competencies like critical thinking, imagining future scenarios and making decisions in a collaborative way. At Christ University we plan our practice based on the needs and expectations of the learners and the nation.



DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

MA in English with Communication Studies welcomed the new batch of post graduate students in June 2016. Three levels of orientation meeting the requirements of the programme, department and industry were conducted to enable a deeper academic bond with the department to facilitate a research environment through mutual interaction. Scholars' Forum an academic platform to promote academics through active interaction and healthy discussions was inaugurated on 10 June 2016. The Forum proffered the space for interdisciplinary guest lectures, workshops related to theatre, films and psychology, guided film screenings, inter-disciplinary quiz, student presentations, student plays, debates and mentoring sessions for interviews and career initiatives. A two-day NET training workshop was organized to prepare students to face competitive exams. Students advanced their research endeavours by presenting research papers in various national and international seminars in the country and by publishing papers in academic journals.

MA in English with Communication Studies organized a one-day national seminar, Mayabazaar on "Re-framing the Hero in Cinemas of India" in collaboration with MAMCS, Department of Media Studies and Suchitra Film Society on 16 March

2017. The seminar paid tribute to the legend Om Puri and took up varied discussions centering on the multiple perspectives involved in reading the ever-evolving notion of a 'Hero'. Interspersing enjoyment with academics, the students organized fellowship games to strengthen faculty-student bonding, class trip to Lavasa campus, Pune and various cultural events. 2016-17 has been an all-round experience with learning, self-reflection and enjoyment.

The third year BA English Honours Batch has been filled with a great number of activities, including gripping guest lectures, national seminars with speakers from around the world, workshops given by experts in their field, paper presentations in diverse areas of knowledge and exciting informative field trips. Thirty of these extremely educational activities took place in due course of the year.

Each of these activities had something unique and erudite to offer, nevertheless, there were some highlights. The ecology field trip to the Bhadra Wildlife Sanctuary was a day filled with nature walks, animal spotting rides and discussions on environmental conservation with Mr. D.V. Girish, a renowned wildlife conservationist. The documentary screening festival "Unmute. Rewind. Play: Cultures, Communities and Stories Forgotten" was organized by the class to make known the narratives of those confined to the peripheries in India. As a final testament to what was learnt in the course, every single student of the class helped organize and presented a research paper at the national seminar "Consuming Cultures 2017: Representations and Discriminations".



DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA STUDIES

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DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES



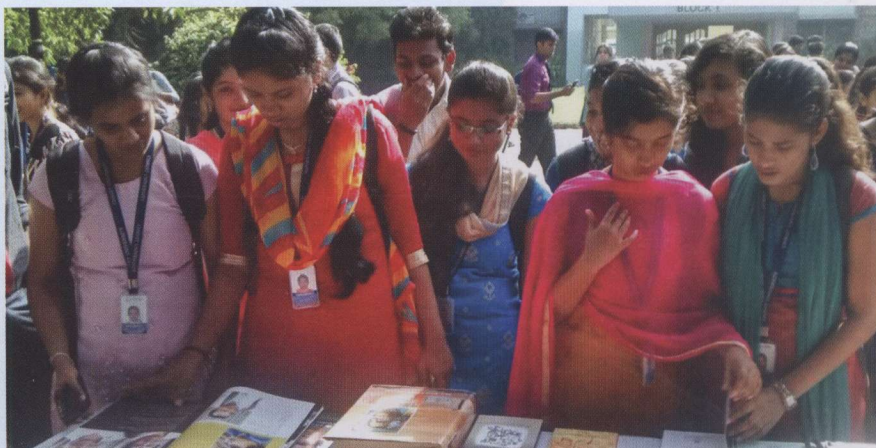
publishing 3 Kannada books. To meet the present needs of the literary abilities of the students, Vagartha, a language magazine comprising literary works in Kannada, Hindi, Sanskrit and Tamil was released by the familiar Kannada film actor & singer, Sunil Rao on 16 March 2017. Mathrubhasha Diwas acted as a commemoration of festivity by honouring the Mother Language on 21 February 2017.

The Department of Languages will continue to create awareness among the Christites by instilling cultural sensibilities in society.

The existence of the Department of languages dates back to the inception of Christ University in 1969. The inevitable cultural and literary features of this varsity include the department of Language, Literature and Culture, for which sustainability is a priority interest. To sustain the linguistic ability of the students, the department had organized various programs like Multilingual Poets' Meet, Yakshagana, Bhasha Surabhi (intra-class competitions), Bhasha Samvad (Panel discussion) etc. through a regulated wing, Bhasha Parishat. To promulgate, the same, Bhasha Utsav & Ethnic day, celebrated on 17 September 2016, was a great success.

A Symposium on Kannada literature was conducted on 26 August 2016. A national- level French seminar in collaboration with the French Embassy was organised in November'16. An MOU has been signed with the French and German Language cultural centres in India and the students have taken up their respective DELF A1 Exams. Both French teaching Faculty members have become the Jury Members of the French DELF A1 & A2 Exams.

The Kannada Sangha contributed enormously by





DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

The Department of Economics has added another year of successful performance to its records with academic year 2016-17. The inauguration of Economics Association- 'AMARTYA'-kick started wide range of student activities, organized by the Department during this academic year. The inaugural lecture was delivered by the noted economist Prof M V Nadkarni, enlightening the young minds. The Economics Association has pioneered a whole range of co-curricular and extracurricular activities ranging from EPHEMERIS, our quarterly newsletter that provides a platform for all students and patrons of economics to voice their opinion on issues of economic relevance. Apart from this the department has also been the host to the National Level Young Economist Competition that invites research papers of high quality authored by students from across the country that are subjected to rigorous evaluation and scrutiny, we finally select ten papers to be presented.

Through the Economics Association the department has organized national conference focusing on challenging

themes, where professors and students of various prestigious institutions and universities from all over the country come and take part. The department has also been organizing National Economics Fest i.e ALTIUS where colleges from across the country represent their students in various competitions that bring out the imaginative and creative minds to indulge in rare intellectual activity.

The department conducted current affairs sessions, orientation programmes on placements and class activities for all the courses of the department. Students' subject seminars for the undergraduate programme were rich learning experiences for the students. The department also organized student panel discussion on Union Budget 2017. The student volunteers played a significant role in organizing the career fair, DAKSH, and also in highlighting the achievements of the Department during the NAAC visit to the campus.

A number of guest lectures and guest interactions were organized for all the programmes to give wider perspectives to the students on various topical issues. One of the large scale events in this connection was the event 'An interaction with well known historian Prof. Ramachandra Guha.

The placements for the students of Honours and BA, BSc Triple major programmes have been commendable. Promotion to higher studies has also been extremely good. The curriculum for all the different courses has been duly updated in order to keep pace with the new developments in and around. As part of the service learning initiatives, BA Honours students were taken to an organic farm at Mandya for a day's visit.



DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AND HISTORY

International Studies, a MA programme started at Christ University in the year of 2014, enable students to understand the complex forces shaping the 21st century world better. Through classroom activities, seminars and guest lectures, the department helps its students gain awareness about the dynamics of interstate relations, interplay of cultural, ideological, economic and religious factors, the multifaceted structures of Asian, African, Latin American, Middle Eastern, and European societies.

A range of events were organised by students and the department during the academic year 2016-17. This began with a three day orientation programme for the new students from 8th to 11th June, 2016. A Guest lecture on the topic "Emerging trends of terrorism in South Asia and Regional level security cooperation" was delivered by Prof. Christian Wagner, a German scholar specialised in South Asian studies.

The International Studies and History Postgraduate students association 'Lyceum' was inaugurated on 2nd July 2016 by Dr. Lal, who on this occasion spoke about Sustainable Environment Development. The association also organised various other events during the academic year like the Parliamentary debate on

the theme "Uttar Pradesh Elections".

In the month of August 2016, Dr. Craig L. Dicker, Minister Counselor, Public Affairs, U.S. Embassy, New Delhi visited the department. This senior most American officer in the U.S. Embassy for the whole of India lead a lecture discussion with students and faculty on the "U.S. Electoral Processes" with a special reference to the then upcoming Presidential Elections of the United States.

Deepening student's scholarly understanding of government, politics and international relations, Dr. Mike Stefancic, Assistant director for student support, Service-learning programme, Boise state university, USA, gave a lecture on 'Gandhi and India: An American Perspective' on 2nd August 2016.

There was also an Inter Deanery Seminar of PG Students themed "European Union: To be or Not to be". To contribute practical solutions to problems of power, conflict and injustice in political and social life, the seminar was successful in attracting 16 papers from numerous delegates representing various deaneries of the Christ university.

On 19th of August 2016, the Department of International Studies and History organized a celebration of 70 years of Indian Independence and recognized the achievements and participation of their students.

A global environment demands expertise in international affairs, a talk on 'State-Society Relations in China' was delivered by Dr Chen

Jinying from the Shanghai International Studies University, Shanghai, China on 20 September 2016 for both MAIS classes separately. There was also a post-lunch session on the 'Current State of India - China Relations and the Way Forward' to the audience comprised the staff and students of MAIS.





DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

The Department of Sociology had an exciting year which was marked with multiple international and intra and interdisciplinary programs. The Department had organized many events spanning the entire academic year 2016-17.

The year began with the induction programs for the undergraduate and postgraduate students followed by a series of guest lectures such as those by experienced sociologists like Dr K G Uma and members of the alumni. The students also organized and participated in various panel discussions and seminars. Arundhati Vishwanath, an alumni member of the Department conducted a workshop on the Theatre of the Oppressed for the students of MA Applied Sociology. Students exhibited their social sensitivity by organizing numerous events as part of the Social Responsibility Week. Workshops were organized on Participatory Rural Appraisal and on Grounded Theory. CAPS organized numerous skill

development sessions for both the undergraduate and the postgraduate students of Sociology. The students also had the opportunity to intern with organizations across corporate and the non-governmental sectors alike such as TCS, ITC, Headstreams and Helpage India. Students also interned with research institutes such as ISEC and NIAS.

Numerous events were organized in collaboration with the International Office, namely the Generation UK India program and the India Gateway Program with Baldwin Wallace College and Western Michigan University, USA. The Department organized interactive and academic sessions to orient the visiting students to Indian culture and society. Similar interactive sessions were also organized with visiting students and faculty members from the Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Switzerland.

The Department of Sociology also organized its annual festival Sambandh as well as its national level research paper writing competition, the Young Sociologist Competition in addition to participating in numerous other Seminars and Conferences such as the National Seminar on Nation, Community and Citizenship in Contemporary India which celebrated the birth centenary of eminent Sociologist M N Srinivas.

These activities and events had been organized in order to enhance the growth and development of the student community and to ensure that they emerge as socially sensitive sociologists who can make a difference.



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

The Department of Social Work at Christ University, regularly initiates programmes that cater to the emerging needs of the society. The department functions in close alignment with the Centre for Social Action to sensitize students towards issues of social concern in the University campus. As a leading institute in Social Work education, the Department has made visible progress towards its goal in the academic year 2015-2016 by introducing two new specialization programmes in social work in the academic year: MSW Human Resource Management and MSW Clinical and Community Practice.

SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

- A one day seminar on scope for child rights and protection in social work education was organized in association with Karnataka State Integrated Child Protection Society (KSICPS, DWCD), Bengaluru and UNICEF Child Protection Program on 12 May, 2016.
- A five day Induction Programme for the students of MSW (Clinical and Community Practice) and MSW (Human Resource Development and Management) was organised from 7 June 2016 to 11 June 2016.
- Students of MSW CCP and HRDM organised Street Play and Campaigning Week in association with Centre for Social Action (CSA) from 14 July to 22 July 2016.
- A state level consultation on children in difficult circumstance(CIDC) was conducted on 18 July, 2016. The programme was supported by PLAN India and jointly organized by the Academy of Gandhian Studies and Association for Promoting Social Action, Manav Charities.
- A two day National Level Capacity Building Workshop for Child Rights Social Workers was held

on 18 and 19 August 2016, in association with Indian Network of Professional Social Work Associations (INPSWA), Child Rights Trust (CRT) and International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW)

- "Teacher Awards for Innovative Teaching (TAFIT) – 2016" was organised in association with Times Foundation and partnership with Byju's, on 28 January, 2017.
- A training programme on Human Rights was organized with an objective to sensitize university students and faculty members about human rights issues on 31 January 2017.
- National days of importance was observed every month in the academic year on International day against drug abuse and illicit trafficking, 26 June, World Diabetes Day, 27 June, World population day, 11 July, Hiroshima day, 6 August, World literacy day, 8 September, World AIDS Day, 1 December, Disability Day, 3 and International Women's Day, 8 March.
- I & IV Semester MSW HRDM students participated in the Social Responsibility Week organized by Centre for Social Action (CSA) on 3rd September 2016. The money gained from the games that was arranged for the students was handed over to CSA for sponsoring a child. The second stall was jewellery stall made by housekeeping staff of Christ University.
- World Social Work Day was observed in association with FSL India on 21 March 2017. The theme for two years 2017 and 2018 are 'Promoting Community and Environmental Sustainability' relates to the third pillar of the



Global Agenda for Social Work and Social Development.

- The Quality Improvement Programme (QIP) was organized on 27, 28 and 29 September 2016. the Theme of the programme was Research and Publication.
- The Faculty Development Programme II of Social work Department was organised on 18 and 19 November 2016, at Palm Meadows club, Bangalore.

RURAL CAMP

MSW CCP : A one week rural camp was organised in association with Centre for Social Action (CSA) for second year students of MSW (Clinical and Community Practice) from 7 to 14 August, 2016 at Jamakhandi, Bagalkote.

MSW HRDM : The rural camp for the MSW HRDM was organized in collaboration with the Centre for Social Action (CSA) and the Department of Social Work, Christ University from 4 August to 10 August 2016.

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Anupam Das and Tony Thomas Mathew, students from IV semester were selected for student exchange programme of HAN University, Netherlands for two months. They underwent courses on Intercultural Social Profession and International Sustainable Development.

Ms Anaya Dundiyal and Ms Antara Dutta from IV semester were selected for the Winter School at Zurich University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Switzerland from 16 to 30 January 2017. They underwent courses on Diversity and International Management and Study visit to Swiss health and social care institutions.

PLACEMENTS

Students are recruited through campus interview with reputed organisations like Titan Company Limited (A TATA Enterprise), Global Human Resources, Schneider Electric, CGI, Vedantha, Espah Society, TDU, DON BOSCO, and FSL, India

DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE IN EDUCATION



TIE with Script Peoples' Theatre completes a decade at Christ University. By greater design, Department of Performing Arts – Theatre Lab staged the well-known Indian play 'Agra Bazaar' on the World Day of Theatre and Young people – 21 March. At the same time Zealous Productions, the first departmental team to have been trained and promoted by TIE, won the Certificate of Appreciation for "Dramatic Freeze" conducted on the World Theatre Day on 27 March. The year 2016-17 welcomed with open arms Internationalization. Karin Gisler from Switzerland, Yakov from Ukraine, Joke Rood from Holland, Otto Huber from Switzerland and Philip Sulim from Russia brought in International flavor to theatre productions on campus.

TIE at Christ University has evolved with Certificate programs, Vision 2020, Departmental Theatre, Intra University Theatre Festivals, National Theatre Festivals, Under Graduate program in Performing Arts (Theatre) and Internationalization. The TIE journey comes a full circle this year as one of the best practices of Christ University – "Intimate Interactive Theatre" is poised to take the Entrepreneurship curve in the coming year. Dramatically global – the Indian way at Christ University – Bengaluru.



DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE STUDIES

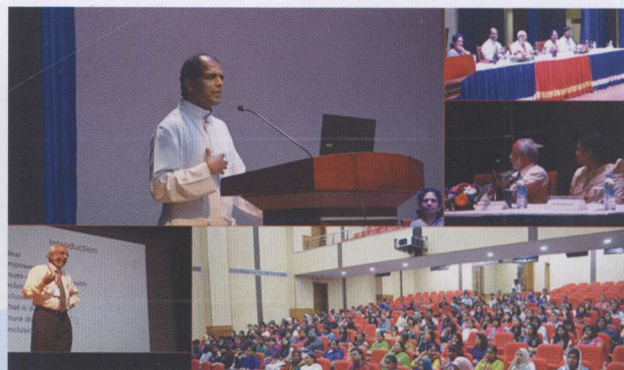
The academic year 2016-2017 was an eventful one for the Department of Theatre Studies. In the month of June, Professor Dr Stan Denman from the Department of Theatre Arts, Baylor University, Texas took a week of various acting workshops for the second and third year students, focusing on honing their acting skills, and presenting tips on how to perfect auditions, a crucial aspect in the life of any actor. In July, the second years received the golden opportunity of performing at ITC Windsor on the occasion of the arrival of the British Deputy High Commissioner. The pieces showcased were excerpts from two Shakespearean plays, *Taming of the Shrew*, performed by the second year students of the department, and *Romeo and Juliet*, performed by students from the School of Law. August saw a lot of late nights, as students of all the three years geared up for their performances and end semester examinations, slated for the final week of September. These countless practices reinforced the level of dedication that the students put into the discipline and their degree. September arrived soon enough and validated all of the hard work, with Spotlight – The Theatre Festival, hosted by the Department of Theatre Studies from the 15 to the 23 of September. The festival showcased

performances by the three years, ranging from an original script by the first year students, *Fierte*, to a Shakespearean play, *The Taming of the Shrew*, and a contemporary play, *A Streetcar Named Desire*, by Tennessee Williams by the second year students, and a musical, *The Lion King*, score composed by Elton John and Tim Rice, and a Greek tragedy, *Antigone*, by Jean Anouilh, performed by the third year students. All performances were graced by the presence of distinguished guests and veterans of theatre, and the festival just upped the level of performance, as it has done every year. The months of December and January brought with them readings and rehearsals for the Mega Production of the year, *Jeanne d'Arc*, with numerous actors struggling to perfect a French accent, amidst many giggles. Finally, the much-awaited production was staged on the 11 and 12 of February, in the KE Auditorium, Block 4. The play and the performances of many actors were appreciated, amidst generous applause from the audience. On the 2 of March, the students of the department had the opportunity to be part of a day-long Devised Theatre workshop conducted by theatre artists Sebastien Heins and Allison Wong, visiting from Toronto, Canada. They provided various tips regarding the nature of Devised Theatre and its use in the creation of stories that can be narrated to the audience, by the audience.

DEPARTMENT OF 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 major events organized for the year 2016-17 were: Leadership training for core committee members on 24th June 2016, Street Play competition conducted for first year students on 29th July 2016, Singing competition (for 2nd year UG/PG) on 2nd September, Inter-collegiate competitions (Exhibition, Photography competition, Quiz) on 11th November 2016, and Paper presentation Competition on 7 February 2017. Young Psychologist Competition was conducted on 12 January 2017. 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 research, consultancy and extension services team of the department organized a two day workshop titled 'Assessments and Strength Based Teaching Strategies for Children with Autism' on 3-4 March 2017 in collaboration with Sunshine Autism Trust, Bengaluru. There were fifty participants including psychologists, pediatricians, social workers, special educators, NGO representatives and parents of children with Autism. The life competency workshop series was conducted by the department during the academic year.



The Department visited Snehagram Vocational and Rehabilitation Centre for HIV-Infected Children, Krishnagiri on December 2, and March 11 -12, 2017. Faculty members along with students conducted sessions for the children during the visit. The intention of this project is to provide the students with the care of Snehagram with training and opportunities for jobs in the future that will allow them for sustainable development.

The two day national seminar on "Empowering Lives: Mental Health and Well-Being in an Inclusive World" was conducted from 10-11 December 2016. The events included- Poster Presentations, Research Paper Presentations, Symposiums and Panel Discussions focusing on the current initiatives being taken by various Governmental and Non-Governmental organizations for the empowerment of the disabled, efforts to provide inclusive education, and disabled-friendly environment in public spaces and the role of youth and mental health professionals in the field.

The eighth Workshop for Teachers and Educators was organized by the Department on December 13 & 14, 2016 at Christ University. This year the workshop theme was Metacognitive learning strategies for school children. The objective of this workshop was to train teachers to integrate metacognitive learning strategies in order to develop student-centric classrooms with independent learners. International conference on perspectives and practices in play conducted by the department from April 7-8 was a step towards examining the play practices and perspectives prevalent in India and around the world. With the theme, Play, Learn, Change, the conference was a step towards assimilating the knowledge on how play facilitates fuller lives, mediates active learning and promotes better change outcomes

DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL OF EDUCATION



The academic year 2016-17 is memorable in the history of School of Education as it marks the tenth anniversary of its establishment. The B.Ed. and MA Ed. batch of 2016-18 was welcomed with a formal orientation programme in June. The Back to School programme on 25 June 2016 followed by the Theatre in Education workshop enabled students to immerse themselves in the colourful world of art, theatre, and music. The holistic nature of the curriculum was further evidenced in the Personality Development and Communication workshops held in June. International Yoga day was celebrated with each budding teacher flexing his/her muscles and learning that education is a cycle of all-round development – body, mind and soul. The Bookmark was conducted in July, followed by a Panel Discussion on “Developing Critical Thinking Skills among Students” on 1 August 2016 and another Panel Discussion on “Teacher Education in the Digital Era – Prospects and Challenges” on 8 September 2016. Then it was time for the State Level Workshop on “Safe, Secure, Supportive Learning Environment” on 17 September 2016. The learning was made even more enjoyable with several themed assemblies and special workshops on teaching aids design, CTET training and Service Learning programmes that were interspersed throughout the academic

year along with the simulated teaching experience and teacher demonstrations. In addition, several students of School of Education also participated in the information literacy course, Ethnic Day, Darpan and Blossoms events held in the University.

Several foreign interactions also made the academic journey exciting. The first student exchange programme with HEP, Switzerland for the Radio Namaste project was completed successfully with the summer episode broadcast on 2 September 2016 and the autumn episode broadcast on 21 October 2016. Foreign guests from Miami University, University of Mount Union and Harvard University have had interactive sessions with the B.Ed. students on several aspects of education.

The B.Ed. 2015-17 batch returned in November after a successful four month internship in schools, Phase II for their last semester, just as the 2016-18 batch geared up for their first taste of Internship in schools, Phase I. The National Seminar on “Envisioning New Paradigms in Teacher Education for the 21st Century” was held on 21 January 2017 followed by the annual sports meet on 4 February 2017. The much anticipated Decennial celebrations was held on 22 February 2017 with much aplomb. The week-long KalaSaurabha events showcased the talents of the students in dance, music, theatre and art. The academic year also witnessed placements of nearly 90% and 10% in higher education passing out of the School of Education. CLC camp held on 10 and 11 March 2017 concluded the year in style with a wealth of learning acquired by the students through their work to assist the efforts of the NGO –GRAMA at Challekere near Chitradurga.

The momentous year with its engaging events and well-designed curriculum provided wonderful exposure to the students. It is through these effective learning experiences, that confident and capable members of the academia are shaped, who stand as a testament of the significant contribution of the School of Education towards the progress of education in the nation and carry the mission of Excellence and Service forward.

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

The Department of Philosophy aims at the integral development of students for the benefit of the society and offers BA (Philosophy Honours) with core philosophical subjects, and 24 credits each in English Literature and Psychology. The two-year (four semesters) MA (Philosophy) provides a comprehensive synthesis of various philosophical disciplines to develop a critical and analytical approach to all major areas of human thought and living. In both the programmes the subjects are presented in such a manner as to give the students a harmonious view of the nature human, and God, learning from the great philosophical traditions both from the east and west. Apart from academics, there were a number of events and seminar conducted for the overall development for students.

In order to break the ice among the students, New comers' day was celebrated by the Department on 1 June 2016 where students gave a warm welcome to all the newcomers. Rev. Fr. Professor Thomas Aykara, the Chancellor graced the occasion and welcomed the newcomers and Rev. Prof. Dr Paulachan Kochappilly, President Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram presided over the function.

Where the campus is known for its greenery and eco-friendly environment, the department decided to celebrate World Environment Day on 5 June under the leadership of Fr. John Neelankavil. The event was celebrated by planting trees across the campus. Annual Environment Lectures were delivered by Dr. Robert Athical SJ on "Transfiguring/Transmuting/Transforming a Fast Changing World" on 16 & 17 of August. Students were involved in a number of social action and social service programmes including serving food at Aswas, helping the young children, old people and AIDS patients. The students also performed a street play to enhance the awareness of the

public on drug abuse, waste management and cleanliness.

As part of the celebration of the World Philosophy Day on 17 November, the department organised a seminar on "Mercy and Compassion in Indian Culture and Philosophy". Prof Augustine Thottakara and Dr Mathew Attumkal guided the seminar in which students from the Department and students from other departments of philosophy presented papers.

The Philosophy Department places its emphasis on the inclusive growth of the students. Therefore, a number of special lectures are organised and the students are given insights where they get to dig deeper into the world of philosophy. A National Conference was also organised by the Department in collaboration with Journal of on Dharma and Globethics.net India on "Feminine Genius: Women Leadership for a Just and Compassionate Society" on 29 & 30 July 2016. Mr TSS Mani, a social activist, delivered annual Dalit Studies Lectures on "Constitutional Rights of Dalits and Present Scenario" on 28 October. A lecture was delivered by Prof. Ram Puniani on 14 & 15 December on "Religion, Science and Violence".

Prof Purushoththama Bilimoria on 17 & 18 January, 2017 offered the Dharma Endowment Lectures on "The Ethics of Personal Law in India: Religion, Minority Rights, Legal Pluralism and Uniform Civil Code". On 23 January, Prof William Sweet delivered an extension lecture on "Inter-religious Dialogue for Peacebuilding". Another National seminar was organised on the theme: "Nurturing Dialogue: Forms, Persons and Institutions" on 10 March 2017.

Department Day was celebrated as Satrtyadin (Day of Companions), Pitr-Matrdin (Day of Parents), and Gurudin (Day of Teachers) on 2 February 2017 to honour the outgoing students, the parents and the teaching staff. The outgoing students expressed their gratitude and appreciation towards the Department. The teachers and students wished them success in their future endeavours.

DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICAL WESTERN MUSIC



The Department of Music was established in 2016 under the Deanery of Humanities and Social Sciences and was the first in the country to offer a Western Classical Music course in a triple major undergraduate programme. The department made its mark in the university in the first few months itself by organising various events and concerts.

It began its musical journey of performances with the World Music Day celebration that was organised in collaboration with the Department of Performing Arts on June 21. Ever since there have been several performances by the students and the faculty of the department at various university events, not only at the Main Campus but also at the Christ Institute of Management, Lavasa. These included shows like Magnificat 2016, Grand Christmas Show 2016 and Gratitude Day 2017 among others. The students were also part of music training and workshops conducted by Prof Il Kweon Park, from the Hanyoung Theological University, South Korea. These workshops resulted in two concerts that

the department organised, Frühlingsglaube: Faith in Spring in July and The New Year Concert in January.

The Beginning was their concert in September marking the completion of their pioneering batch's first semester. Their annual finale concert Harmony: We Dream of Music 2017 was held in March and won the hearts of many from across the university. The department aims to continue to encourage its students to follow their passion for music and guide them to channelize their energies in a positive, creative and melodious manner.



DEPARTMENT OF PERFORMING ARTS

There is a psychological perspective to the student of psychology and a financial perspective to the student of business. Language perspective is the focus of the linguist and literature enthusiast. A lawyer looks at life through the rules of law. Where does Performing Arts fit in? Aesthetic Quotient is the answer to this perspective for 2016-17.

In an effort to pioneer and create new standards of Aesthetic experience for all, the department of Performing Arts was introduced at Christ University. Creating movement aesthetics, auditory aesthetics, story aesthetics etc. the department has followed a two pronged approach. The first approach is to provide a balanced understanding of arts through direct, controlled and created performance related activities with students. The second approach is to showcase the aesthetic performances to ignite the mind and heart of the audience as well as the performers. As a department running a structured program of Performing Arts, Psychology and English Literature, the syllabus is created to fulfill the requirements of the present and the future opportunities. Collaborative approaches to dance, music, theatre, improvisation and entrepreneurship are part of this unique undergraduate program.



With about 100 students in the department, there has been over 60 performances in the year 2016-17. Cultural events like Dance Day, Theatre Lab productions, Entrepreneurship related shows, Sports Day performance and Music Events have become the basic fabric of Aesthetic Quotient at Christ University. Over 10,000 students were directly involved in an increased level of aesthetic experience in 2016-17, thanks to the efforts put in by the department with the support of the management and deaneries at Christ University. The performances of this department are slowly but surely changing the landscape of artistic quotient in the city of Bengaluru- to enable the journey of being a cultural voice to the rest of the world.





DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND PHYSICS

The department aims at setting a benchmark in education in the field of electronics by incorporating new and innovative teaching methods to equip its undergraduate students with necessary technical skills and a strong theoretical knowledge. To ensure the fulfillment of the objectives, the department organizes various co-curricular and extracurricular activities apart from regular teaching sessions for the students and also encourages them to explore the real world by allowing them to participate in the events in other colleges.

The Activities of the Electronics Club, the association of Electronics (B.Sc.) students of Christ University, for the Academic year 2016-17 were formally inaugurated on 1 July by Dr. G N Dayananda, Chief Scientist and Head, Center for Societal Missions and Special Technologies, National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL), Bengaluru.

The annual intercollegiate electronics fest 'circuit' was held on 23 August 2016. Prof. Anil Kumar, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru delivered the inaugural address. The fest

witnessed the active participation of about 120 students from 10 colleges in and around Bengaluru.

The enthusiastic students from second year B.Sc. PME and CME classes organized an awareness campaign on 'Green Electronics' on 16 Dec 2016 in the pathway of main campus which covered exciting topics like, use of solar LED lantern, organic LED displays, tips to save electricity, battery operated vehicles, self healing materials, etc.

E-Junction, an Inter Class Electronics Fest was held on 7 February 2017. Mr. Kartik G, SMAK communications Pvt. Ltd and Mr. Sai Siddarth, Akamai Technology, Bengaluru the guest speakers motivated the students to take up innovative and socially relevant projects.

The annual project exhibition with about 40 electronics projects was organized by the final year students on 1 March 2017. The exhibition succeeded in giving an overview of practical applications in various domains with a special attention to some of the problems with social relevance. The details of the activities of Electronics Club are updated in the Electronics club web page

<https://sites.google.com/a/christuniversity.in/electronics-club/> for the public view.

A one day workshop on Robotics in association with Novatech Robo Pvt. Ltd, Bengaluru was organized on 15 July 2016. Robotics Engineer Mr. Jane Christopher delivered a talk on 'Enter the world of Robotics-your door to the future' with a demonstration of various robotics such as micro controller based wheel chair, Robotic Arms, flying Quad robot chopper with wireless video camera etc. In order to foster interactions with eminent scientists, a lecture workshop was organized on 20 February 2017. The resource persons were Dr. C M Ananda, Senior Principal Scientist and Dr. Senthilkumar, Principal Scientist from National Aerospace Laboratories (CSIR-NAL) Bengaluru. The Department organized industry visits to Bharath Heavy Electricals Ltd (BHEL), CSIR-NAL and Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO-ISAC) for B.Sc. students. Quality Improvement

programme (QIP) was organized in October 2016 with a theme on research and publications.

The University has signed an MoU with the reputed research organization CSIR-NAL for faculty and students of Physics and Electronics to collaborate with engineers, scientists and researchers. This also provides internship opportunities and undertaking joint projects in different areas.

Edwin Jose and Chetan Mandloi of 4 semester PME bagged Runner's up position in the 'Social Innovation Challenge' competition 'Tryst 2017' held at IIT, Delhi 24-27 Feb 2017.

Our students participated in intercollegiate festivals held in Kristu Jayanti College, St. Joseph's College and Vijaya College and won overall trophy in 'shock17' organized by St. Joseph's College, Bengaluru.

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

Department of Chemistry offers four UG programmes, PCM, CBZ, BCB and BCZ and two MSc programmes with specialisation in Organic and Analytical Chemistry. The department also offers MPhil and PhD programmes in chemistry. A

special certificate course on Technical Japanese was introduced to accentuate the learning and to increase the employability of the fresh graduates. These courses not only instil in them a zeal towards scientific enquiry but also empower them with the required qualities for research and to work in relevant industries and institutes.

The activity of the Chemistry Association for the academic year was inaugurated on 29 June



and how to go about applying to universities. This talk gave students a true insight on the interdisciplinary approach in science and how we can apply it to research performed, encouraging students to work harder towards a brighter future.

The department had organised career guidance talk by Dr Kshitish Acharya founder director of Shodhaka Life Sciences Pvt. Ltd. (Shodhaka), Bengaluru and a faculty scientist at IBAB. He enlightened the students on various opportunities available for Life Science students in higher studies and their eligibility criteria.

The Science Fest Jeevotsav 2016 was held on 23 August 2016 which was an intercollegiate event. About 20 different colleges enthusiastically participated in various events like Marketing Genius, Pot Pourri, Best out of Waste, Poesies, Switch, Debate, Pot Painting and Photography.

GUHANAGIRI – a book on Urban Wild Life, written by Pradeep Hegde and Sagar H S - two students from the Department of Life Sciences, Christ University - was released on August 23, 2016 at the Council Room, Central Block, Ground Floor at 04:00 pm. The book was published by the Centre for Publications, Christ University. The Chief Guest of the function was D. V Girish, Trustee, Centre for Wildlife Studies. Science exhibition was conducted on 24 February 2017 in which all the three year students from CBZ, BCZ and BCB

actively participated. Three teams got cash prizes.

The department of Life Sciences organized a guest lecture by Dr Helen Collins, Vice Dean, Faculty of Life Science and Medicine, King's College, London, on November 10 2016 at 9 am in Campus View. Students of third year BCZ, BCB and CBZ attended the talk. The topic was "Immunity to Mycobacterium tuberculosis". She talked about the role of Mycobacterium tuberculosis in the cause of the disease. Antibiotic medications are usually not completed by most patients for the stipulated course of time as the patients start feeling better within a few days of medication. This in turn leads to multidrug resistance further increasing the potency of the pathogens to cause the disease. She gave a short introduction to King's College, London, their campuses and their different UG and PG programmes.

The department had organised educational visit to Department of Horticulture, University of Agricultural Sciences on 10 Feb 2017. Students were introduced to various projects carried out in the lab. Students witnessed demonstrations of different methods of asexual reproduction in plants. Third semester BCB and CBZ students visited Coorg for plant collection. Final year BCB and CBZ students visited FRLHT (Foundation for Revitalisation of Local Health Traditions) at Yelahanka. Students were sensitized to the



contemporary relevance of theory and practice of Indian system of medicine.

Dr Afthab Hussain, senior lecturer at Coventry University aimed to translate research from "benchside" to bedside". To inspire young minds and to expand the world of pharmacology, he gave a talk on the "development of a therapeutic drug- from benchside to bedside". His primary focus was to give an overview of pharmacology and its importance along with introducing the participants to the future prospects of biotechnology.

Dr Hussain started off with explaining what pharmacology is and the relevance of drugs to living systems. Then, he continued to acquaint the participants of the future prospects of young B. Sc. Students, which included future studies abroad, in universities like Coventry University in various fields, including Pharmacology, Molecular Biology, Biomedical Sciences, etc. The department had organised a panel discussion on higher studies in Biological Science with Dr Deepshika Chakravorty from IISc as the chief guest and other panel members included Fr Jobi Xavier, Dr Suma.S and Dr Biljo.V.Joseph. The discussion was centred on the best courses and colleges available for higher studies in various branches of Biological

Sciences and their relative merits and demerits. The Department of Life Sciences had conducted National conference DWILES 2017 on 30 and 31 January 2017.

The department also organized Science Academies' Lecture Workshop on Progress in Understanding of Disease Biology in collaboration with the three Science Academies - Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi and The National Academy of Sciences, Allahabad on February 22 and 23, 2017. The event started at 9.30 am on Feb 22 with a short inaugural ceremony in Room No 911, Central Block of the Main Campus. The event was inaugurated by Prof. Ravi Sundaresan, IISc, who also gave the keynote address. The annual newsletter of the department of Biotechnology edited by Dr Sayanatan and Prof Vasantha - BIOLINK 2017 was released after the inauguration. The other speakers included Dr Dipshika Chakravorty, IISc who was the convener of the workshop, Dr Reeta Mani, Dept of Neurovirology, NIMHANS and Dr Amit Singh from IISc. About 180 students and faculty from 19 colleges and research institutes actively participated in the workshop.

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Continuing with its tradition, the department has further augmented and witnessed an academic year filled with its quality enriched programs and events which synchronized with the mission and objectives of the department. The department has been successful in providing a vibrant atmosphere for academic learning, research and extracurricular activities which was further bolstered by effective interactions and exploration through a number of guest lectures, workshops, conferences, and fests. Sequentially the department has been instrumental in enhancing the learning of

Mathematics among the faculty members and students.

The activities of the Mathematics Association of Christ University (MACU) began with a guest lecture by Dr Bhaduria, Professor, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi on June 11, 2016 to highlight the importance of theoretical mathematical training to an application-oriented mathematical expertise.

A guest lecture on 'Financial Mathematics' for the M.Sc students was delivered by Dr. T Venkatesh, Head, Department of Mathematics (Full Bright Scholar), Rani Chennama University, Belgavi which made way for an understanding of the sophisticated mathematical models and scientific computation algorithms to explore into the world



of financial mathematics. This was followed by the Extension lecture on "Mathematics since Hilbert's 23 problems" by Dr N Chandrasekaran, Adjunct Faculty, Narsee Monjee Institute of Management studies, Bengaluru on July 14, 2016. Apart from facilitating academic rigour among the students, the department has also engaged the student community in conducting the annual - intercollegiate fest CONVERGENCE, an intra class Mathematics fest -SEQUENCE for the UG students, and AAROHAN - an intercollegiate PG Mathematics fest.

To ingrain the sense of social responsibility among the students, the department was instrumental in conducting programs during the Social Responsibility Week in association with CSA from Aug. 29, 2016 to Sep. 2, 2016 and students from M.Sc were declared runners up in the inter-department competition. This was followed by display of exhibits in Carnival - 2016 conducted by CSA. As a part of the Rural Exposure Camp activities students from M.Sc Mathematics were taken to Melina Gokunte to understand the difficulties faced by the localities there and put forward the areas which needed more attention. The rural exposure served to be a very prolific experience which lead the students to understand the way of life in rural areas. In resonance with the objectives of the Service Learning Program a

village visit for the first year mathematics students was conducted for two days to Kolar i.e., from 10 March, 2017 to 11 March, 2017.

The department in collaboration with Science Academies' organized a lecture workshop on 'An introduction to the solution of Ordinary Differential Equations' from Sep. 1, 2016 to Sep. 3, 2016 with participation by ten colleges from Bengaluru.

The department witnessed a wonderful talk on 'Millin convolution and general concepts of mathematics' on 7 and 8 December 2016 by a renowned mathematician Dr A M Mathai, Director Centre for Mathematics and statistical Sciences. A talk on "Careers in Economics/ Mathematics" was delivered by Prof Raef Lawson, Vice President, Research and Policy and Professor-in-residence, IMA(Institute of Management and Accountants), New York, USA on 8 February 2017 for the students of 6 EMS and 4 EMS. And A talk on "Powerful Applications of Mathematics in Development Research: How I stumbled upon it" by Dr H S K Nathan, NIAS, Bengaluru and a talk by Dr Sudarshan Iyengar, Assistant Professor, IIT Ropar to give insights on Graph Theory on 2 March 2017. Department organized National conference on "Emerging trends in Fluid Mechanics" during 29-30 April 2016, National conference on "Emerging trends in Graph Theory" during 29-30 April 2016, and National conference on "Emerging trends in

Graph theory" during 3-4 March 2017.

The department witnessed proud moments in the academic year 2016-2017 with three students winning the Best Paper Award in International Conference.

- Mr. Libin(second best) and Ms. Anitha from 4th Semester MSc won the best paper award in an International conference on Graph Theory held at KE College Mannaam, Kerala during 8-9 March 2017.
- Ms. SammenaTaranum (Research Scholar) won the best paper award in the 9th International Conference on Fluid Mechanics, Heat Transfer and Thermodynamics, London, UK during 14-15 March 2017.
- Mr. Ravikiran, Ms. Soujanaya and Ms. Shardha (IV Sem, MSc) won first place in the poster presentation at 9th KSTA conference 2016 held at Christ University.

- Mr. Shelwyn James (4 EMS) won first place at the Speak for India(Karnataka Edition 2016) contest sponsored by Federal Bank. He received specially designed trophy, merit certificate, cash prize of Rs 1 lakh, scholarship worth Rs 1.5 lakh; and institution gets Rs 50,000.

Students and faculty members have also effectively participated and presented papers in various national/International conferences. Students have taken up Internships in reputed institutes like IISER (Pune, Bhopal), Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, IISAC, TIFR, IISc Bengaluru, NIIT Suratkal, London School of Economics. Department has witnessed 19 publications in reputed research journals. 6000 journals and 7000 books related to mathematics have been added in the reference section of university library.

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS

From the department of Statistics, on the 29 of June 2016, 10 students had gone to attend a workshop which was conducted by NSSO in Koramangala area of Bangalore. National Statistics Day was being celebrated that day and the students were enthusiastic to be a part of it.

Christ University's department of Statistics had conducted an intra-college departmental festival which goes by the name 'Inference'. There was also an intra-class festival called 'Moments'. A total number of 106 students participated from various colleges of Bangalore.

Six students participated in a workshop that was conducted by Mount Carmel College, Bangalore called "From Data to Insights". It took place on the 16 of February, 2017. 3 students won the first prize in the quiz competition.

The Statistics department also conducted career oriented lectures from industry professionals on the "Role of Statistical Packages in Industry".

The department collaborated with PAREXEL International for training in Base and Advanced SAS programming. 42 students in Base SAS and 18 students in Advanced SAS were trained and five students were shortlisted for placements in PAREXEL International.

11 students of Statistics department had also visited PAREXEL International as part of an Industry visit on 8 March 2017.

The department had conducted a national level symposium on "The Role of Statistical Packages in Academics and Industry" on the 11 of March, 2017. A total of 40 delegates participated and presented their research papers. Final and Second year EMS students too participated and presented their research findings as research papers in this symposium.

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE



The vibrant students of Department of Computer Science are professionals with ethical and human values to reshape nation's destiny. The training imparted here aims to prepare young minds for the challenging opportunities in the IT industry with a global awareness rooted in the Indian soil, nourished and supported by experts in the field. The department organizes various events throughout the year to nourish their talents.

Interface and Gateways, national level IT fests organized by the students for the Computer Science students from different colleges across India. This year, 20 colleges from all over the nation took part in Interface with over 272 participants attending the event. The theme for this year was Robotics. The 20th version of Gateways was inaugurated by Mr Venkat Kamath, Executive Director, Technology group, JP Morgan Chase. Gateways provides the much needed exposure

which is a prerequisite to survive in the IT industry. Participants compete in numerous technical and non-technical events that are both entertaining and intellectually stimulating.

The Eighth National Conference on "Emerging Trends in IT" provided a platform to deliberate on emerging trends in Information Technology by bringing together researchers, academicians and industry professionals across the country. It enabled participants to share and exchange information from academic and research perspectives.

The project exhibition Softex and X-eBit gives an opportunity for the students to display their innovative talents and broaden the spectrum of knowledge. The events had a soul to it, a soul that is always vibrant, contagious and exuberant.

Revelations and Techleons are intradepartment fests for the students. Through various technical and non-technical events, it provides platform for students to showcase their talents.

Whether it is cultural or technical events like Journal clubs, Labyrinth, Placement cell, Alumni association, Blossoms, In-Bloom, Website maintenance, or a Conference, the talented, young and energetic students are always there ready for any activity. The exposure the students get in the campus make them industry ready, confident, and more over good humans with ethical values.





FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

The Department conducted Experience Engineering Programme for newly admitted under graduates from June 2016. This program was aimed at giving an insight on technological and scientific intuitions to the students. The students were involved in a set of activities which was a mix of both conceptual content and hands on training.

Novatos-2016' was conducted on August 19, 2016 by Department of Sciences and Humanities - Engineering, a thrilling, exhilarating event for the newcomers.

In addition to academic level efforts, to support newly admitted Undergraduates our faculties are deeply committed to motivate students to take part in interdepartmental Art and cultural competition Blossoms 2016-17.

Apart from the regular classes with all core subjects the department provides Community





services with classroom instructions, focusing on critical and reflective thinking as well as personal and civic responsibility. Students are equipped to solve real-life problems by building a partnership between the community and the department. It allows the students to apply academic knowledge they have acquired to the society. Apart from these, Service Learning is a part of the curriculum. The department also involves in the social activities of CSA like Smart Village Project, Child Sponsorship etc. In addition to enrich the Teaching Learning Process, the department offers many certificate programs like CISCO training, NDG Linux, Programming Paradigms and Programming in Python and R under CART. Apart from academics, the department also focuses on industry academia collaborations through internships and projects. The Industrial Visits to TCS, ISRO, CDAC and Infosys have helped the student community to be well equipped with knowledge to face the Industry world outside. The department has also signed MoUs with Various Industries like CISCO, Tech Mahindra and HealthyX.

Under IEEE PES SB the Department organized

7 events over the course of the academic year. Two Technical talks were also organized for the students. To improve industry interactions the department took the initiative to conduct talks by resource persons from reputed industries/ research organizations. Eminent industrialists and academicians like Mr. Shyam Kulkarni, Head of validation and Reliability, Mahindra Electric Ltd Mr. Anil Raikar, Senior Scientist, Philips Lightings Bangalore, Dr. Ashok S., Prof and Head of Dept. of EEE, NIT Calicut visited the Department and interacted with the department faculty and students.

Students were also taken on industrial visit / technical visits to High Voltage India, Tata Power Solar. Students and faculty members of IEEE PES participated in IEEE PES SB- ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING.

Annual Sports Meet was held at Kengeri campus on 10 December 2016, Students participated in various events enthusiastically. Despite their busy academic schedule, the students had undergone very good training and practice to prepare for the events.

SCHOOL OF LAW

The year 2016-17 was an eventful year at School of Law. A host of programmes sprinkled throughout the year kept the students and the faculty engaged in curricular, co-curricular and extracurricular pursuits of students. Among the major events were the 7th National Moot Court Competition, from 10th to the 13th of November 2016, The 2nd National Alternate Dispute Resolution Competition, from the 17 to 19 of February 2017, The 2nd National Trial Advocacy and Judgment Writing Competition, 2017 on 23 February 2017, the 5th edition of the International Model United Nations Conference, The National Conference on the Right to Food: Constitutional Perspectives, on 6 to 7 of January 2017 and the 2nd edition of The Free Speech Week that was held from 14 to 19 of November, 2016. School of Law staged its Mega Production, Romeo & Juliet, a Shakespearean play on 12 of November 2016. Two Seminars were organised – Formulation of Treaties and Media and Law.

A host of distinguished guests visited the institute. The prominent amongst them were - Dr Ilias Tripiotis, School of Law, University of Leeds, Mr. Justice Ram Mohan Reddy, Former Judge, High Court of Karnataka, Smt. Sumitra Acharya,

Research Consultant Centre for Women and Law, NLSIU Bengaluru, Mr. C.K. Nanda Kumar, M V Shridhar, Mr. John Miachel D'Cunha, Hon'ble Registrar General, Karnataka High Court, Mr. Anil Xavier, President, IIAM, Ms. Spandana Ashwath, Ms. Andrea Chris, Deputy Consul General of German Consulate, Prof. Anshuman Behra, Assistant Professor at NIAS, Bangalore and Mr. Joost van Deutekom, Visiting Researcher, Oxford University, United Kingdom, Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. Gopala Gowda, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India, Hon'ble Mr. Justice K.N. Phaneendra, Judge, High Court of Karnataka, Mr. S.P Shankar, Senior Advocate, High Court of Karnataka, Dr. C S Patil, Officiating Vice Chancellor, Karnataka State Law University, Hubli, Mr. Sudhir Krishnaswamy, Managing Trustee, CLPR Bengaluru and Hon. Virendra Sharma MP, Member of Parliament for Ealing Southall, UK, Alumnus of London School of Economics.

Based on experiential learning, trips to Industrial units, Prison, Courts, Lawyers Chambers, Bangalore Mediation Centre, Lok Adalats, Lavasa Campus, Lalbagh and Village visits for legal aid and awareness camps were organised throughout the year that helped in sensitizing the students on their social responsibilities as well.

Our students won many prizes in Moot Court Competitions, Debating Competitions and Sports events across the country.



INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT CHRIST UNIVERSITY (IMCU)

Institute of Management, Christ University (IMCU) one of the best B Schools in India, has its own unique brand and value identity. IMCU offers a vibrant two-year full time MBA/PGDM programme that is designed to holistically develop the cohort in line with its mission. The mission of IMCU is to develop a community of socially responsible, creative and enterprising leaders to operate in a knowledge-based, globalized and dynamic world.

IMCU conducted an International Conference on Transforming Emerging Economies through Sustainability and Innovations in Businesses (ICTEE 2016) on November 8 and 9. The conference was hosted by Institute of Management in collaboration with Master Sustainable Development and Organizations, Paris – Dauphine University, France.

The conference brought together academia, senior practitioners, policy makers and entrepreneurs to debate the challenges of attracting, establishing and managing sustainable businesses through innovation in the emerging economies. There were 25 invited speakers and guests at the conference, and a total of 48 research papers were presented.

ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE TRAINING

To provide an insight into the organizational structure, its various functions and its interactions with various stakeholders, all first-year students are mandated to conduct a one month study in a manufacturing organization prior to the beginning of the MBA programme. After initial presentations by mentor groups, finalists are selected from across mentor groups.

This year, the finalists of OST presented their study in the presence of the guests Mr. CDR Sachin Jog, Head of Talent Management at Mu Sigma and Mr. Mohan Kumar D, CEO, Skypro Technologies Pvt., Ltd. Mr. Jane Rajan and Shashwath S Maiya were declared winner and runner up respectively.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Entrepreneurship cell of IIT, Bombay in association with Pioneer Entrepreneurship cell (E-cell) of Institute of Management, Christ University, conducted a multi-city pre-e summit workshop 'ENVOYAGE' on 13th January, 2017. After the experience sharing session by Mr. Umang Chawchharia from IIT Bombay, a quiz program and case study competition were held.

Pioneer team conducted the 16th Annual Entrepreneurship Awards on 19th January, 2017 at Christ University. Mr. K V Ramesh, Managing Director, Accenture, Bengaluru presided over the function. Awards for Best Business Achiever in the field of Advertising, Best Woman Entrepreneur and



Best Social Entrepreneur were distributed during this event.

Mr. K V Ramesh gave a glimpse of the digital transformation of enterprises and how customer expectations are transcending traditional boundaries. Souvenir of Pioneer 2017 was also released by the Chief Guest during this event.

CULTURALS

Christ University is known for integrating varied cultures, traditions, art, languages and religions into academic curriculum. Therefore, it is rightly acclaimed to be a land of unity in diversity where people from different cultures and origin live and learn harmoniously.

Ushus is a national level management fest for management students. Riding on the theme of 'Chakravyuha', the fest was held on 25th & 26th November, 2016 and was inaugurated by Mr. Alok Dubey, CEO Lifestyle at Arvind Brands Ltd.

It gave students, an opportunity to delve into the realms of Human Resource, Marketing, Finance, Lean Operations and Management with about 350 students participating from 45 colleges.

CSR ACTIVITIES

BLOOD DONATION CAMP

On the occasion of Voluntary Blood Donation to save lives, CSR club organized a blood donation camp at Christ University, Kengeri campus on 17th August, 2016. The camp was organized by CSR club along with Indian Red Cross Society of Karnataka. A total of 183 volunteers donated blood for the good cause.

IDEA CONCLAVE

Idea Conclave for better Bengaluru (ICBB) was organized by CSR club of Institute of Management with support from 'I got garbage' an initiative by Mindtree and Karnataka pollution board, National Service Scheme. This being a common platform for one specific cause - transforming Bengaluru to a better Bengaluru, identified the challenges and potential for sustainable development, issues related to waste management, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle remediation concepts and much more.

TRAFFIC AWARENESS WEEK

CSR club of Institute of Management organized a Traffic Awareness Week from 12 to 19 September 2016. Being an annual event, it is driven by the students. Students raised slogans to create awareness among drivers to make our roads safer by merely following traffic rules. Students were encouraged to wear helmet through campaigns like 'Alert Today – Alive Tomorrow'.

RESEARCH

IMCU faculty published 22 research papers during 2016-17, of which five were published in Scopus indexed journals. The dedicated research cell played a key role in the achievement of the publication milestone. Centre for Case Research & Development (CCRD) of the Institute of Management published 6 cases authored by Faculty during the current academic year.

Yet another event that has become a hallmark of the Institute is 'Connaissance', the annual National Level Research Paper Presentation. The event aims to foster a research culture among the student community by encouraging them to partake in primary and secondary research. This year, the event received over 51 abstracts and 15 full papers, and saw participation from students across universities in India vying for the top spot.

Each year, on 26th January, Christ University opens its gates and heart to welcome its alumni to the campus. This year, about 100 alumni attended the annual event, with the air charged with teachers interacting with old students; these were proud moments for both the students and the teachers.

'Cantata', the annual IMCU family and sports day was held at the Kengeri campus on 18th February, 2017. 'Cantata 2017' - the sporting extravaganza, was a fun-filled day with track and field events, fun zone games, where not only the students but also the teachers got an opportunity to relive their childhood days.

The MBA placement cell has had yet another successful placement season. Over 155 companies from over 26 industry verticals took part in the campus placements for the graduating class of

2014 - 16. In addition, over 200 companies offered internships to our first year students.

LEAN OPERATION & SYSTEMS (LOS)

LOS students attended certification course on Lean Six-Sigma Green belt conducted by KPMG. The training on Six Sigma was imparted in two batches in January 2017 and students successfully completed the Lean Six Sigma Green belt certification.

Keeping in mind the placement perspective, a workshop on Business Analysis was conducted on March 11, 2017. Sessions themed "Day in the life of a Business Analyst" and "Career in BA" were followed by panel discussion on Trends in BA.

Inauguration of Quality Circle was held on 10th June, 2016. Mr. Jagadeesh Prasad, Hon. Advisor to the Quality Circle Forum of India spoke about 'Improvement culture - building through Quality Circle using PDCA approach'. Mr. Umesh Krishnappa, President, MTS Testing Solutions India Pvt Ltd, who was also the Chief Guest, spoke about QFD for Modern Cluster Design, Six Sigma DFSS Tool and DMAIC tool, and the methodology of Eight Discipline Problem Solving technique. During the grand finale, the winning teams were felicitated by Mr. B G Dwarakanath, Senior VP & COO at Titan Industries Limited.

A panel discussion on 'Hunch versus Data - Which one to rely upon for decision making?' was held on 17th March, 2017. Mr. Sai Prem, Data Scientist at Dell, Mr. Shiv Onkar, Deepak Kumar, Senior Manager, Analytics Technology, Infosys and Mr. Ramasubramanian, Principal at the Operations Research group of Sabre Airlines Solutions were part of the panel.

MARKETING

A panel discussion on 'Portrayal of Women in Indian Advertising' was held on 23rd July, 2016

at Christ University. Ms. Vandana Bhalla, Head-Marketing, Titan Eyewear, Ms. Vandana Shirley, Associate Creative Director, Ogilvy One and Mr. Puneet Singh, Founder Barton and Black were part of the panel. The panel discussion covered gender stereotypes, evolution in portrayals, reflection of today's women and its reality, male stereotypes and the road ahead. The discussion was interspersed with ads and followed up with several insightful questions from the audience.

HUMAN RESOURCES AND ORGANIZATION BEHAVIOUR (HR & OB)

An Alumni Panel discussion was organized in July 2016 on the topic, 'Trends in Talent Acquisition'. Alumni from 2001, 2008, 2009 and 2014 batches were the panelists for the discussion. A Management Development Program on HR Analytics was organised in March 2017. In all, 12 participants from industry and teaching fraternity were the participants for this MDP.

Institute of Management, in collaboration with NHRD organised the National Student and Faculty Conference on December 7th 2016. The Conference brought together participants and audience from prestigious management schools in India. HUL CEO and MD Mr Sanjiv Mehta was the chief guest for the occasion.

FINANCE

Finance group students of the Kengeri campus of Batch 2015-17 had the opportunity to attend a lecture by Dr. Prasanna Chandra, in August 2016. Dr. Chandra is a renowned finance professor and author of several bestselling books in the area of Financial Management and Behavioural Finance. Dr. Chandra spoke on 'Behavioral Finance and its usage in the portfolio management. After the session, students interacted with him on the latest developments in the area of finance.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

The year 2016-2017 was a year of progressive developments. On one side, we focused on nurturing and sustaining the initiatives seeded in 2015-2016 and on the other side we were determined to drive new initiatives, all the while keeping in mind the University and Department's strategic goals.

Gearing the students for the real world has always been an earnest goal, thus explaining the zeal in embedding professional qualifications into the curriculum and the efforts which go into designing of a vigorous syllabus. While the student enrolment numbers grew for the professional qualifications like CISI and CMA what is more encouraging is the fact that the number of students qualifying with good grades have also gone up. Both IMA and CISI recognized and rewarded the efforts of two of our students, who topped the exams at National level by sending them on a sponsored trip to attend conferences at their Global headquarters in USA and London.

The students make us proud each year with achievements and this year too was no exception. Be it receiving the Rashtrapati Award under scouts and guides category or winning at various prestigious fests like St. Xavier's Kolkatta and Christ Institute of Management, Lavasa, they clearly stood out. Our student Alumni who is a journalist at Reuters got his news story on the front page, from the current MCom batch a student got placed at Reserve Bank of India at managerial cadre and a student's Business plan got selected for Incubation by Mindtree.

As with every year, this year too panel discussions were organized on current topics such as Demonetization, GST and facilitated many guest lectures from reputed institutions such as SEBI. To hone first year students 'Parambh' was introduced and a training camp for



those students who needed an extra jump to participate in fests.

One significant leap this year was the organizing of International Conference in collaboration with IMA, Miles Education and Wiley Publications. Getting articles published under the banner of Wiley Publications was truly a great learning experience.

Few of the faculty members were part of the Leadership exposure program at Universities in Honkong and they brought back with them wealth of Best Practices, which were gradually and successfully adopted by the Department.

The Department got an opportunity to work with 'Snehagram' an NGO in Krishnagiri, working for the betterment of HIV positive students on a sustained long-term basis. A Skill and Competency building workshop for students was conducted at Kodlipet First Grade College in Kodagu. The Department also successfully carried the Infosys Foundation-Bone Marrow Registry Awareness Drive. 'Ekta' the skills training workshop which is held every year for students from nearby villages was held this year too. The Department also received a sponsorship by Toyota for the Social Entrepreneurship venture 'Samvada'.



DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES

Yet another academic year with full of activities have come to its culmination. Department of Management Studies with a clearly defined approach for creating quality managers and entrepreneurs offers undergraduate course in Business Administration and Masters Programme in Management with focus on Finance and also the working executives.

The department conducted many training programmes Faculty development programmes and Quality Improvement programmes for the faculty members. The International Conference (ICETB) organised by the department attracted more than research scholars faculty members from many parts of India and abroad. Throughout the academic year, the department was involved in academic enrichment of the students. The department under the ambit of Christ University Management Association (CUMA) encourages the students to showcase their talents and hone their skills by providing them various platforms and opportunities in co-curricular and extracurricular activities, which enables them to think and function beyond the boundaries of a regular curriculum.

CUMA ensures multi-dimensional holistic growth, nourishment and development of its students through the conduct of various management and cultural festivals, or "Fests". Some of the important fests conducted and hosted by the CUMA include – Esprit, Thrive, Blossoms and Vistas. During the academic year the students of department of Management Studies became winners in 21 intercollegiate

fests and runners up in 6 intercollegiate fests. ESPRIT is the annual international, undergraduate, intercollegiate management fest organized by the Christ University Management Association. Esprit witnessed the active participation from across the country in various events such as The Best Manager, The entrepreneur, Public Relations, Marketing, Corporate Strategy, Human Resource, Wealth Management and Business Quiz.

VISTAS is an annual internal undergraduate management fest open to all the students of the Department of Management Studies, Christ University Bangalore. Vistas witnessed the active participation of more than 1200 students from across the department in various events. Through IUMC the department facilitates a platform for students in universities across the world to interact discuss and learn about various business scenarios and the changing trends. Thrive is an annual internal undergraduate management fest conducted for the first-year students of the Department, by their seniors. Drawing parallels from the legend in a contemporary corporate scenario, they were made to brave the odds against a number of surprise and unexpected events that seem to throw the scale, off balance.

Arthayudh is the annual national level, postgraduate, intercollegiate management fest organized by the Christ University Management Association. Zest is an inter class postgraduate management fest conducted for the first-year students of MBA –FM and MBA Ex, by their seniors.

Zealous Productions, the official theatre team of the Department of Management Studies has gone through an amazing journey it was one of colour, rigour, unity, willpower, and of course, drama!

Performing plays in both Hindi and English the team has won in several inter-collegiate national and state level competitions. Zealous has represented Christ University for several theatre competitions. Street play, proscenium plays, mimes, movie spoofs and short plays are the main activities of the team.



DEPARTMENT OF HOTEL MANAGEMENT



Department of Hotel Management with its vision "Nesting National Ambassadors for World Class Hospitality" aims at creating global leaders in the hospitality industry. Eminent industrial experts and professionals, academicians and alumni visited the department for various academic activities. Industrial and Academic visits were organized for students and faculty members at regional and international level. Three students participated in an exchange programme with NHTV Breda University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands.

The department conducted several programmes and activities including the 22nd

annual culinary competition and hotel abilities test, during the current academic year. To name a few- International housekeeping colloquium, Mind Curry (quiz), Arome, Parivar and SWAD

were organized by the department. Students also participated in over 6 Inter-University competition and fests across India.

As part of innovations, the department of Hotel Management has commenced its own experiential learning restaurant on campus on the 24 August 2016. This training restaurant, operated by the specialization students, helps mould them into confident professionals while they step into the world of hospitality. The silver jubilee of the Department of Hotel Management

was celebrated on 25 February 2017. The first batch who graduated in 1994 was invited and felicitated. Two distinguished alumni, Ms Mallika Gowda and Mr Arvind from the batch of 2004, were felicitated for their contribution towards the industry. Over 60 alumni were present for the celebration.

The department also have facilitated internship and placements opportunities for students.





DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES —

The Department of Professional Studies (DPS) had an enriching and productive year with a blend of academic and extracurricular activities and achievers in CA, CS, Insurance, CIMA, and ACCA. 127 students of BCOM F&A cleared CPT, 67 students of BCOM F&A cleared IPCC both groups, 96 students of BBA F&A and BCOM P cleared CS Foundation with 16 all India ranks. 15 students cleared CS Executive, 10 students cleared Insurance- Associateship level, 2 students of BCOMP cleared all levels CIMA, 4 students cleared 4 non exempted papers of ACCA. 117 students were successfully placed.

The department showed its appreciation to these young achievers through a special Felicitation Ceremony presided over by Vice-Chancellor Fr Thomas C Mathew and CIMA Country Head, Ajay Lalwani. The department also organized a variety of events that included fests, seminars, conferences and workshops.

Insight is an introductory Business fest organized by the second year students exclusively for all the first year students of the Department.

Specially designed for first time festers, INSIGHT gives the participants a taste of all the areas in a business fest and business quiz. The second level is Incognito which provides a platform for first and second year students for business fests and cultural, under the guidance of their seniors.

Cognito is the flagship event of DPS. A Corporate Business Fest of the highest caliber attracts colleges from all over the country. The winners of the fest are rewarded with cash prizes which is usually one of the highest for an undergraduate business fest in India. Cognito Fincorp 2016 had more than 20 participating colleges. Students from CMS. Jain University, emerged as the winners.

Samyukt 2017 supported by ACCA had Mr G Ananthapadmanabhan, CEO of Aziz Premji Philanthropic Initiatives, as its Chief Guest. The event depicted the collaborative research culture of the department along with cultural performances.

National Conference on Entrepreneurial Ecosystem in India: The department's first research based national conference on 'Entrepreneurial Ecosystem in India' was held on 13/2/17. The former chairman and Managing Director of HPCL, Mr Arun Balakrishnan was the chief guest.

Great Debate: An open debate on 'Brexit: Soft or Hard' and 'Demonetization', was organized in October 2016. Former journalist of Al Jazeera Mr Dakshin and Campus Director of Deccan Herald Neena George were the guests.

Gen Next Professional Accountants: A seminar on 'GenNext Professional Accountants' was organized on 21/2/17. The Guests of Honour, included, Mr Alan Hatfield, ED of Strategy and Management, Mr Peter Large, ED, Governance, and Ms Lucia Real-Martin the Director of Emerging Markets, ACCA.

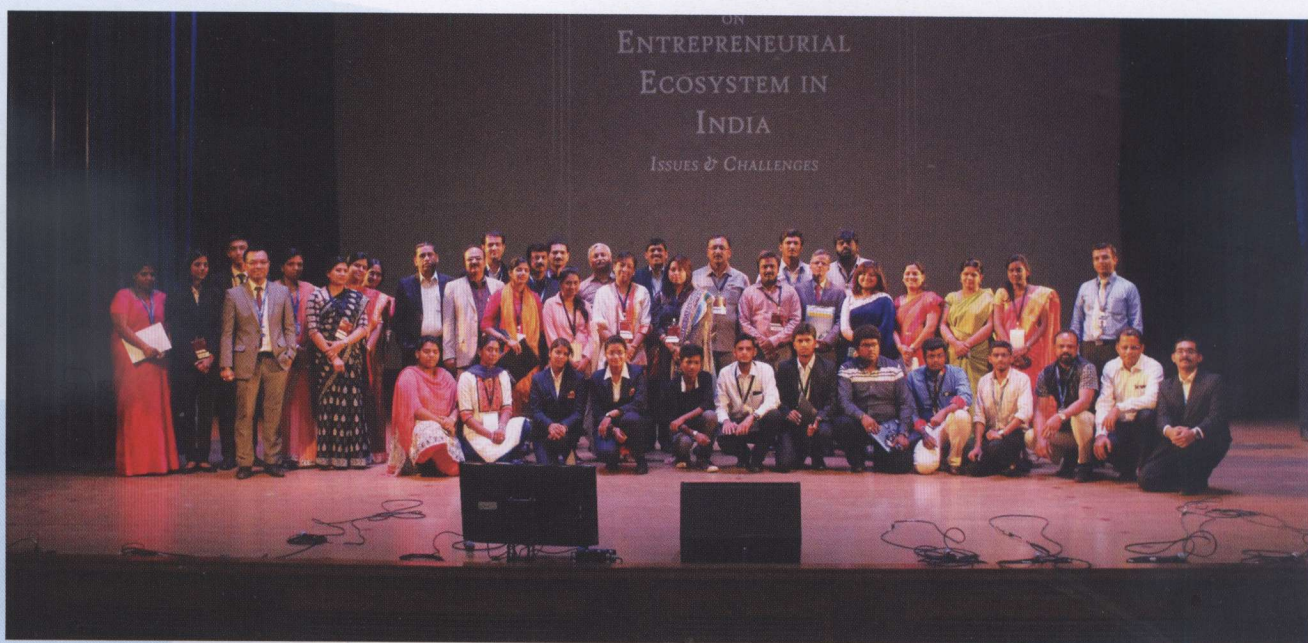
Investa Inquest: A symposium on the emerging trends of the mutual funds Industry was organised on 10/2/17. The symposium witnessed special lectures on different aspects of the topic by Mr V Balakrishnan, the Chairman of Leaders Academy; Mr Ashish Pimply, VP of Axis Mutual Funds; Mr Sharlon D'Silva, Training head of L&T and Mr Sharan C Patil, the MD of the Inspire India Group.

Communities of the Future Summit (Enactus). Communities of the future is an annual forum and an initiative by University of Commons and Mindtree Ltd, jointly organized by DPS and Mindtree. The summit invited entries in 3 categories, namely, social fiction, social enterprise and social engineering.



Insuraksha Illuminaire: The department of Professional studies and department of Commerce at Christ University jointly organized 'INSURAKSHA ILLUMINAIRE' a National Seminar on Insurance on 31 January 2017 on the topic 'Liability Insurance: Emerging trends in India'. The keynote address was delivered by Mr. T Seshadri Vice President- head & sales training, Bharti Axa General Insurance Co Ltd.

Outreach Programmes like SAHYOG and ENACTUS witnessed the departments' endeavours, recognising social responsibility. The department also actively participated at almost all events of CSA and emerged as the "Best Department" during the SRW. Two new projects, Genesys and Snehagram were also initiated.





SCHOOL OF BUSINESS STUDIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Following in the vision of Saint Kuriakose Elias Chavara, School of Business Studies and Social Sciences, Christ University Bannerghatta Road (CU-BGR) Campus was established in 2016 as a unique body of interdisciplinary academic pursuit with a focus to enable students to branch out into the realms of varied disciplines so as to receive blended learning, while primarily concentrating on the roots of the main discipline under study. For this purpose, all the programmes offered in CU-BGR Campus, under the disciplines of Business Studies and Social Sciences are clubbed together under the umbrella of a single deanery.

The CU-BGR Campus is spread over 2.4 acres, 7 kilometres from the Main Campus and includes all infrastructure that supports learning and growth, as Christ University believes in offering its students a holistic education and wishes to nurture their tender minds by offering them with the best of facilities. With facilities catering to the needs of all the programmes, the CU-BGR Campus Library is a commendable space provided to students to enable them to broaden their horizons. The Library spread across two floors, has a huge array of

more than 10,000 books, more than 50 Computer Terminals to facilitate access to the digital world and two Symposium Rooms for presentations and discussions. In addition to the Library, the whole Campus is also Wi-fi enabled along with two fully-equipped Computer Labs. The latest addition to the Campus is the Auditorium with state of the art acoustics and sound facilities, and a seating capacity of 1700, inaugurated in March 2017. To organize various programmes of academic and cocurricular interests, the Campus is also supported with a Seminar Room with a seating capacity of 120 and a Mini Auditorium with a seating capacity of 250. The Campus also houses a technologically competent Media Lab and Psychology Lab to cater to the learning needs of students from the respective disciplines. The CU-BGR Campus also hosts a Boys' Hostel named Christ Hall. With a capacity to accommodate 250 students, the Hostel also has 42 fully-furnished Guest Rooms, to host visiting faculty members and other guests of the University. With a two-levelled parking space, the Campus can accommodate close to 2500 two-wheelers and 300 four-wheelers, with around the clock security.

John F Kennedy famously remarked, "physical fitness is not only one of the most important keys to a healthy body, it is the basis of dynamic and creative intellectual activity". In line, the CU-BGR

Campus offers numerous food outlets, the most notable being the Indian Coffee House Cafeteria on the ground floor that caters to the diverse student body with North and South Indian Cuisine, and other refreshments. Nandini Parlor, Café Coffee Day and Pit Stop are three other food exits where students can grab a quite bite. The Fitness Center in the Campus is well equipped with a plethora of gym equipment, and students can be seen actively using the Badminton Courts and Table Tennis Boards after college hours. Students of CU-BGR Campus are also continuously motivated to participate in all Sports Tournaments in Basketball, Cricket, Football, Tennis and Athletics in the Main Campus and in other inter-collegiate and inter-university tournaments around the country, where they have won numerous championships and competitions. The Campus also organized 'Metamorphosis', a marathon in September 2016 over a distance of 7 km with more than 800 runners to support the cause of the differently-abled community under Welfare Association for Rehabilitation of Disabled Society.

Christ University has always believed in not just providing a space for students to discover and hone their various talents, but also interact with their talented peers to instigate new and creative collaborations. Hence, CU-BGR Campus has kept alive the 'festing' culture, and through the various ingenuous fests, offered cultural platforms to

the students to thrive and flourish. The very first event that the new campus saw happening was 'Genesis - The Theory of Consecutive Creations'. Genesis was an inter-disciplinary, eight-day event where students from various disciplines came together for diverse events that not only tested the theoretical knowledge of the participants and its practicality, but also celebrated the diversity of the student community in the Campus. With Genesis, the Campus came alive with a plethora of discipline-specific fests throughout the year, be it 'Arthotsav' of Economics Studies, 'Gobblefunk' of English Studies, 'Raabta' of Media Studies, 'Aaroha' of Psychology Studies, and 'Dialogue' initiated by History and Political Science, from within the sphere of Social Sciences. From the stable of Management Studies came 'Inferno', 'Novice' and 'Enigma', while Tourism Studies redesigned 'Alta Vista', 'Meraki', 'Ontrack', 'Jharokha' and 'Exodus'. All these fests acknowledged interdisciplinary participations and collaborations among students from within all campuses of the University and from around the country, allowing for multiple perspectives and approaches to the competitive arenas with discipline-specific twists. The Christ University Business Studies and Social Sciences Association (CUBSA) that functions under the aegis of CU-BGR Campus was instrumental to a great extent in encouraging and promoting students to explore and showcase their talents, get into the



culture of knowledge application, and hone their skills by managing them through co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Under the guidance of CUBSA, students from CU-BGR Campus participated successfully in more than 30 national and international level fests and events, winning overall championships in most.

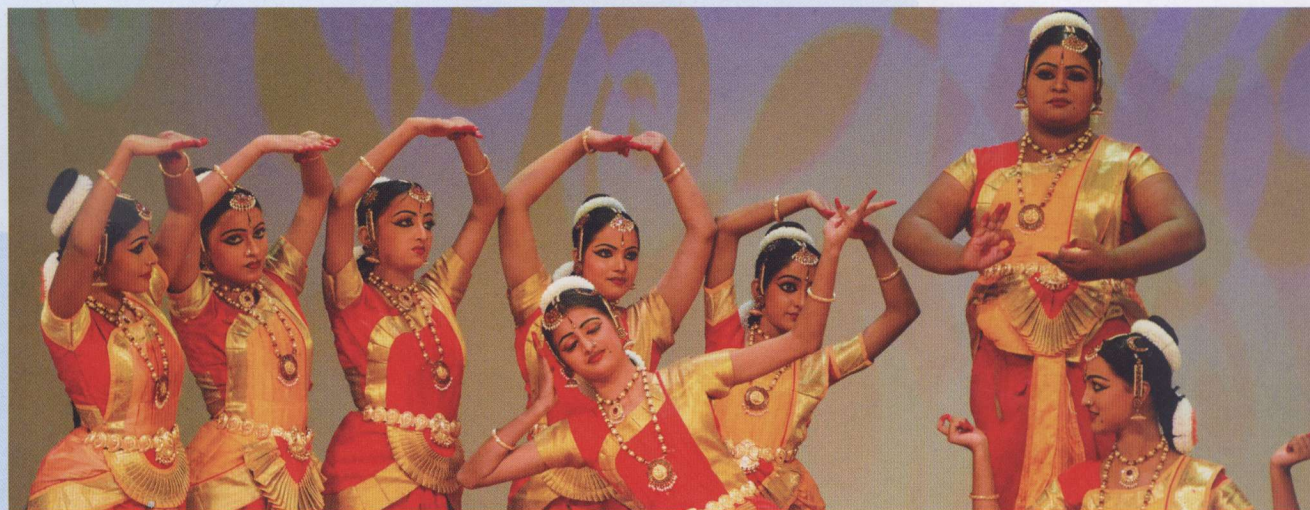
CU-BGR Campus has a strong Entrepreneurship Cell that believes in promoting a spirit of innovation and enterprise among the students. The Cell kindles the passion for entrepreneurship and ideas, and brings together students from both Business Studies and Social Sciences by offering them a platform to present their enterprising business ideas. The Cell also conducts Certificate Programmes in collaboration with prominent organisations like KE Global to give students a different perspective on how to shape their business thoughts and further enables them in an all-round development. Fests, like 'Bob the Builder', a bid and build competition and the Marketing fest, 'Marketon' offered good opportunities for students to come up with different business plans and get a hands-on real-life experience in the business-world.

Aside from fests, the Campus also saw students from the various programmes gathering together not just to participate, but also to cheer on their cohorts for a variety of multicultural events. Of these, 'Darpan' was organized as the first deanery-level talent-hunt event for the students in the new Campus. Organized by the Student Welfare Office (SWO) of the Campus, Darpan was an "ice-breaker"

especially for the First-Year Students by exposing them to the University culture of not just nurturing, but celebrating talent. 'Darpan' was followed in a similar vein by 'Blossoms', the inter-deanery fest that fostered strong bonds of camaraderie within the Campus, considering how the entirety of School of Business Studies and Social Sciences was in competition against the other deaneries in the national-level, inter-university fest, 'In-bloom'. Dancers from the CU-BGR Campus, in large numbers also made their presence felt in the University Dance Day, Nritya 2017 with adrenaline pumping performances.

SWO in the CU-BGR Campus remains a strong body of 300 student volunteers that helps organise all the University level programmes and events. SWO also coordinates the students' participation in the University Cultural Team, the University Choir and Natyarpana, the University Dance Team. From the time of the establishment of the CU-BGR Campus, SWO has organized numerous events in the Campus, most notably the Academic Year Inauguration Programmes, World Yoga and Music Day Celebrations in June 2016, the Colours Week in August 2016, and Darpan and Blossoms.

Centre for Social Action (CSA) is the University's very own NGO and social activist organisation managed entirely by students. The CSA Wing in CU-BGR Campus aims to increase awareness on social issues like waste segregation, child labour, women empowerment and safety. Street plays are organized from time to time in and outside



the Campus on socially relevant themes and the Activity Centre identifies areas to be adopted by CSA to teach and educate children in the lesser developed parts of the city and to also provide opportunities for their growth. CSA also documents the events and brings to light many social issues through photographs and articles. The Association also organizes Blood Donation Camps, Photo Walks and Rural Exposure Camps to offer students more real life experiences. The Social Responsibility Week, 'Nirbhaya' organized by CSA on the theme of Women Empowerment, became more than just a platform for creative contributions and competitions, by instigating students to evaluate their contributions to the society and understand that true victory lies in the emancipation of the society. Weekly Holistic Education Sessions also supported in inculcating strong moral, personal, interpersonal and societal values in the students.

Christites of the Bannerghatta Road Campus also remained integral participants of all major events and activities that were organized in the Main and Kengeri Campuses of the University. Students were encouraged to actively participate in regular seminars, fests and events like Bhasha Utsav, Ethnic Day and the Christmas Celebrations in the Main Campus. A one-day excursion to the Kengeri Campus, 'Campus Connect' was organized in December 2016 wherein students from School of Business Studies and Social Sciences, and School of Engineering, came together to celebrate the diversity through ice-breaking sessions.

Student Publications, 'Travelogue' and 'Frequent Flyer' from Tourism Studies, 'Pulse' and 'Envision' from Management Studies, and 'Litscape' and 'Paracosm' from English Studies also found place in the Libraries of Universities, Colleges and Institutions, and on the Reading Tables of prominent Corporate Houses across the country and abroad.

School of Business Studies and Social Sciences also organized numerous seminars and conferences in the Campus. CU-BGR Campus in association with Sahitya Akademi organized a National Seminar on 'Cosmopolitan Spaces: Indian Literature and Counterpoints of Modernity'

in November 2016. The Seminar attracted many prominent writers and academicians to the Campus from around the country. English Studies organized a National Seminar, 'A Big Little World: Perspectives on Children's Literature in India' in association with Funky Rainbow: The Traveling Bookshop and Goodbooks in February 2017, with the inauguration witnessed a large audience presence. All disciplines in the BGR Campus came together to organize 'Synergize', a two-day Inter-Disciplinary Conference on Management and Social Science in March 2017. The Conference was a successful attempt in uncovering research vital for the success of liberal science research. The interdisciplinary nature of the 196 research studies presented in the Conference by Academicians, Research Scholars, Industry Professionals and Students, undoubtedly allowed for the synthesis of new ideas from varied disciplines thus opening the doors to diverse paths in liberal science research.

Many Clubs and Associations also play an integral part in the CU-BGR Campus. Most notable among them are the Wordsmiths - the Writers' Club, Spin Shot - the Photography Club, Orpheus Productions - the Proscenium Theatre, Noisy Corridor - the Indian Dance Team, the Debating Society, the Sports Club that also offers Certificate Programmes, to name a few. The Association of Christian Christites (ACC) organize regular prayer meetings and celebrate monthly mass in the Santhome Parish Church Chapel, adjacent to the Campus. While Centre for Concept Design (CCD) and Centre for Advanced Research and Training (CART) support the advanced learning needs of students, the Mentoring and Counselling Services (MACS) and Peer Education support student well-being and professional growth in CU-BGR Campus. In addition to all the Clubs and Associations, frequent Guest Lectures and Workshops are organized for students and faculty members, alike. The Skill Development Sessions on all Thursdays, the regular Industry Visits and Study Tours that also included the International Educational Tour for the MBA [Tourism and Travel Management] students, have all made noteworthy contributions to make the year gone by memorable for students and all members of the CU-BGR Campus.

Ground Breakers

CENTRE FOR **ADVANCED RESEARCH AND TRAINING** [CART]

Centre for Advanced Research and Training is one of the active wings of Innovation Centre. The Centre 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 promote societal development through knowledge dissemination. It also provides opportunity for innovative and emerging research ideas of students and faculties and call them as 'Research Inno-aces'. Inno-aces are offered

assistance to incubate and contribute to the field of research.

Some of the events that took place in CART during 2016 – 17 are

1. CART Data analysis Summer Workshop (18 – 22 April 2016, 100 plus participants)
2. CART Data analysis Winter Workshop (24 – 26 October 2016, 120 participants)
3. CART Facilitator courses (Odd and Even semesters on SPSS, R, Eviews, Matlab, Origin, Excel, Python)
4. CART Open Elective Courses (Odd and Even semester on SPSS, R, Eviews, Matlab, Origin, Excel, Python)
5. CART Research Clinic (Research scaffolding to research scholars)
6. CART crash courses (for Advanced Excel for MBA & Psychology departments)
7. Course on Information Literacy (Main and BGR campus)





CENTRE FOR **CONCEPT DESIGN** (CCD)

Centre for Concept Design functions as the corporate media centre of the University. All communications going out to the public from the University is officially standardised and approved by the Centre. Green View Studio, the in house production unit of Centre for Concept Design, saw a flurry of activities in the academic year 2106 - 17. It was instrumental in training more than 100 new faculties on how to create online video lectures, and trial videos recorded, enabling them to understand themselves as well as build confidence and develop their personality. More than 100 online video lecture sessions were also recorded during the year.

In collaboration with Department of Life Sciences, entire syllabus of Environmental Studies was brought out as video lecture modules. School of Law brought out few video sessions based on Family Law with the help of students from the department. Department of English also brought out few video lecture sessions in British Literature

with the help of students. Few practical sessions were also made as video lecture modules by the Department of Science, Christ Junior College.

Apart from the video productions few workshops were also conducted at Green View Studio. They include:

- A workshop on branding as part of a National Seminar by IQAC.
- Workshops on various aspects of video production for students of MAMCS, JPE, MCA etc.
- A workshop on camera, lighting and editing for students across various colleges as part of Media Meet.

The studio crew covered major events such as Sound Curry and Magnificat as well. Few promotional videos and about 40 talks for 'Space Channel,' a you tube channel, were brought out by Green View Studio. It also facilitated the shooting of promotional videos for plays staged by Department of Theatre Studies and also CNEWS interviews by MAMCS students giving them hands on experience in video production.

CENTRE FOR COUNSELLING

The Centre for Counselling and Health Services (CCHS) conducted the Orientation Counselling for the new batch of students of all the various streams. The orientation included the introduction of the department as a whole and its role in the development of the students' lives throughout their stay in Christ University.

The students were urged to feel free to seek the help of their counsellors for both academic and personal support, with an assurance of confidentiality. They were also encouraged to allow their parents to be involved in their lives, which would help them to be more effective in their course.

The basic rules and regulations with respect to class timings, the required attendance, expected code of conduct, dress code, methods of evaluation, the system of allotment of marks, the concept of CIA (Continuous Internal Assessment) and the number of points they carry, etc were all explained in detail. The assigned counsellor to each of the streams was introduced briefly, along with details of her location on campus.

The Centre for Counselling and Health Services, along with the Student Welfare Office, also set up Help Desks at the different buildings on campus, in order to usher in new students and provide them with assistance.

In the beginning of the academic year, the counsellors met with each of their respective students who had failed the exams of the previous semester. In their counselling sessions, the student was helped to identify patterns that may have led to their poor performances. They were also helped to make new study routines that would help their future performances.

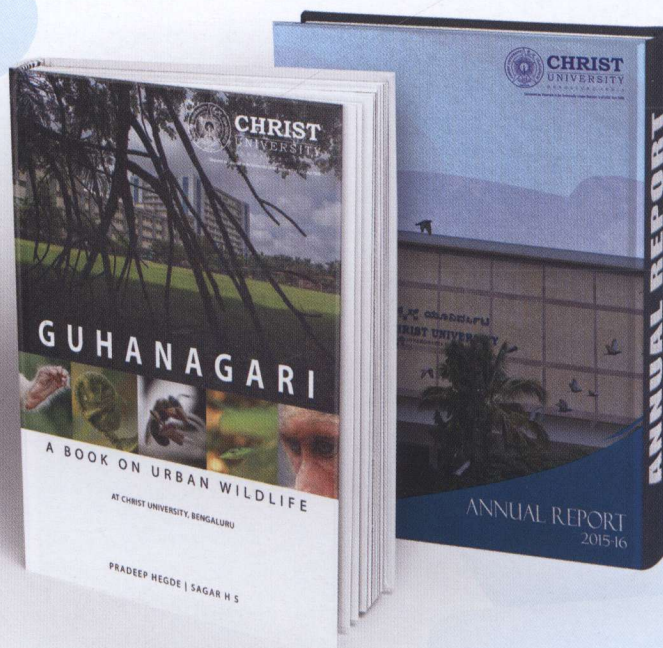
Psycho-education classes were conducted for all first year students by their batch counsellors. Each class of first year students had three sessions conducted by the counsellors. Interactive, informal sessions were conducted on the topics of addictions, managing relationships, reproductive health, and personal safety.

The Peer Education Programme 2016-17 was conducted for 4 batches of students: 2 Batches at the main campus and 1 batch of Kengeri Campus students, in the months of June to September and 1 batch for the Kengeri campus. Trained peer educators delivered formal and informal sessions in their own classes on the topics like relationships, reproductive health, substance abuse, personal safety etc. finally completing their course as Peer Educators.

The CCHS brought out the 4th edition of the annual Peer Treasure magazine in February 2016.

Awareness programmes were conducted to all the final year students on Cancer, Substance abuse & Addictions during month of November and December.





CENTRE FOR PUBLICATIONS

The activity for the academic year 2016-17 started with the publication of student's Academic Planner and Handbook apart from the New Year diary, flyers and invites for the Graduation Day for all the stakeholders of the University. The syllabus for all departments of the entire University was published at the beginning of the academic year. The Centre supported the Centre for Research-Projects in publishing 18 Major Research Projects, 7 Monographs and 5 Working Papers completed by faculties at Christ University. The Centre published Laboratory Manuals for the Department of Hotel Management and Department of Botany. It also published an Orientation Manual for the first year students of School of Law and International Studies and History. 84 Workbooks for the School of Law students were published in odd and even semesters. Two additional English textbooks were published for the first and second year undergraduate programmes.

The Annual Report of the University 2015-16 and the Annual Report of the Projects, Research, Publications and Academic Outreach for the year

2015-16 were also published from the Centre. During the month of October 2016, the Self-Study-Report and the Departmental Evaluative Report were published for the NAAC Peer Team visit to the University.

Guhanagari-A book on urban wildlife life at Christ University, Bengaluru, a collaborative work by two students of BSc, Pradeep V. Hegde and Sathya Chandra Sagar H.S. documented the diversity of wildlife living inside the 25 acre university campus, including 82 species of trees, 59 species of butterflies, 55 species of birds and 14 kinds of ants to name a few. This work was published from the Centre and received adulation from researchers, academics and media. Moreover, a book on Catholic Higher Education in India, Report on Legal Awareness and Aid Committee (School of Law) have also been published from the Centre.

Apart from books, manuals, working papers, monographs and textbooks, the Centre also publishes six peer reviewed journals periodically. They are: Artha-Journal of Social Sciences, Mapana- Journal of Sciences, Ushus- Journal of Business Management, Atna-Journal of Tourism Studies, Tattva-Journal of Philosophy and Christ University Law Journal.

CENTRE FOR DIGITAL INNOVATION [CDI]

Centre for Digital Innovation (CDI), a constituent of Innovation Centre, envisages promoting innovation in the field of Information Technology. CDI is committed to deliver technology solutions with the essence of uniqueness and innovational quality for social good. It partners with industry and academia to achieve its goals and uses its state of art facility to involve teachers and students in its activities. It promotes entrepreneurship and Ideation through its champion programme named "Inno-ACEs". This programme is designed to help in Analyzing problems, Creating Ideas and Engineering solutions. The promising solutions would be selected for incubation. It is open to all students and staff of Christ University irrespective of their area of ideas.

CDI ERP

ADMISSION MODULE

- Admission schedule date and time can be selected by applicants who got selected.
- System to do applicant's marks verification,

which can be done when the applicants come for selection process

- Student Information card print at the time of admission. Earlier this was a hard written format
- Facility to set the total questions required from each faculty and mechanism to check with that count

IPM

- Publishing hall ticket made easier with attendance % range
- Lost ID card - tracking system added
- Provision to publish clearance certificate for hall ticket much before the actual hall ticket publish. Students can clear the due with the clearance certificate

EXAMINATIONS

- Subject wise grade definitions can be done in bulk now
- Subject rule settings made easier with separate bulk entry facility with theory/ practical subjects
- Facility to combine CIA and attendance mark
- Facility to upload CIA marks with excel



- Marks card design change for CBCS
- Provision to upload question paper for Mid semester examination and tracking, approval and printing of the same
- Open elective registration online through student login for Generic Elective/Skill Enhancement, Attendance tracking, Marks entry, syllabus details

PERSONNEL OFFICE

- Research and Publication entries as per new format
- Faculty appraisal quantitative components added
- Faculty appraisal scorecard modified as per new format
- Facility to mark any employee as working on Sunday and Holiday. Tracking of attendance would include Sunday and holiday for those employees
- Leave application, approval online

PLACEMENT CELL

- Internship letter application, tracking, printing

OFFICE OF ACCOUNTS

- Online smart card payment verification system
- Tracking, reminders and online payment through smart card

LAVASA CAMPUS

- Paytm integration for online application
- Registration for event through online with online payment

CDI Global

Industry Collaboration Projects

- IoT (Internet of Things) Project - Smart Home System controlling and monitoring home electronic devices using Smartphone from remote place. Our first product will be one Main controller, one Gas valve switch and

one Boiler controller switch including Server application and Mobile application.

- AI (Artificial Intelligence) for Test Automation Project - Development for website testing automatically using AI. Our first product will be website traveling application of one website without any interruption.
- Embedded SDK Training Course- Development of embedded SDK training course using WizNet SDK kit. There will be two training sessions for students and faculty; one during first half and the other during second half of this year. And we will develop application devices based on that SDK.
- Memorandum of Understanding with Profiworx Technologies for developing application integration solutions.

WORKSHOPS

- A 2-days seminar in collaboration with Indo-Korean Science and Technology Centre (IKST) on "R & D Innovation in Science and Technology through Computational Science" in September 2016. There were 12 sessions during this seminar – 6 from India, 6 from Korea; 6 from industry, 4 from research institutions, 2 from academia. Four letters of intent for collaboration were signed during seminar.
- A 6-days "Global Software Training Workshop" for senior executives of Korean companies in collaboration with National IT Promotion Agency (NIPA), a Govt enterprise of South Korea, in November 2016.

INTERNSHIPS

- 5 months Global IT internships for 3 students from Hannam University, South Korea
- 5 months Global IT internships for 2 PG students from Christ University
- 2 weeks Service and Culture Learning Program for 17 students from Kyungpook National University, South Korea

INNO-ACES**19 PROJECTS INITIATED WITH STUDENTS**

- Chrisat, designing of space ship for space debris mitigation
- Nelumbā Space Technology, a new space ship design for safe re-entry into earth's atmosphere
- Da Vinci, a bin to trash hair
- Hairnthere, a bin to trash hair
- Keranation, a feasibility project for commercial application of hai
- A Mechanical Lawn Edger
- A Mechanical Flower Pot Polisher
- Grey Corridor, a Vehicle Arriving Indicator
- System for Campuses
- EPS: Emergency Pathway Systems for Emergency Vehicles

- iNTELIFT: Small Elevator Systems
- Short Story Co-authored
- COZE: the blended Language Lab
- ChalkDuster, a gadget to remove chalk dust from dusters
- Roll Mountable Sliding Tape Dispenser
- Smart Ginger Crusher for Tea Vendors
- Petscare Online
- TreeCare, a project to replenish trees in Concreted areas
- SHOEDO, a start up plan in the area of footwear hygiene
- Double Walled Flower Pot

2 PATENT APPLICATION FILED

- Chrisat
- Nelumba Space Technology

CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABLE EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The Centre associates with academicians, research scholars, alumni, voluntary organizations, corporate and government departments interested in developing sustainability model towards education. Activities during the year 2016 were channelizing the educational scholarship/fee concession within the University to create a sustainability model, a one day Workshop on 'CSR Journey To Corporate Citizenship' on 6 May 2017 and the Alumni Association supporting in website updating, events, scholarship, engagement of alumni and membership.



CENTRE FOR SOCIAL ACTION [CSA]



Centre for Social Action is a Sign of Hope, a Symbol of Cause, a Testimony of Change that Christites have been witnessing since 1999.

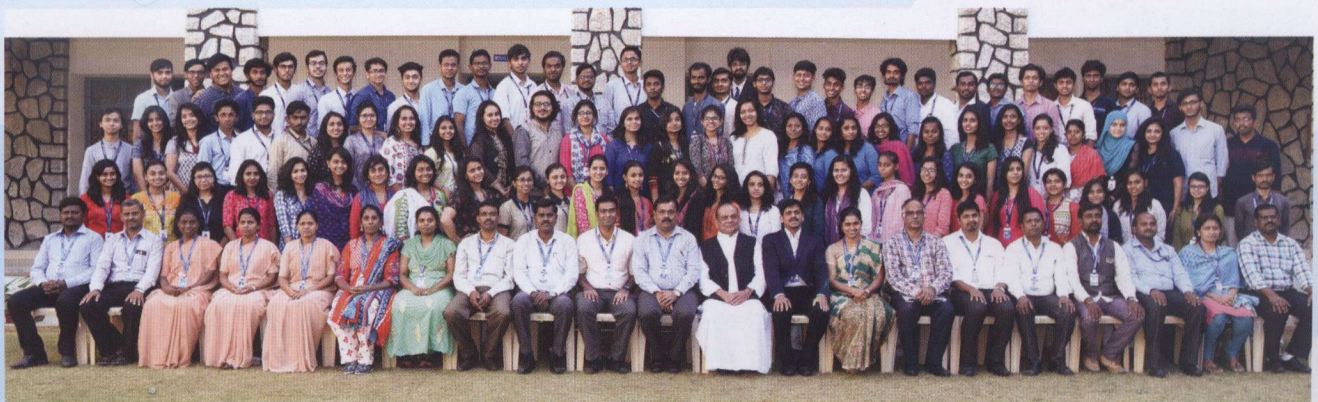
CSA is a centre for promoting volunteerism and enabling students to develop as socially responsible citizens through developmental initiatives. It envisions that every student will be aware, sensitive, empathetic and contributing individuals to sustainable changes in the society.

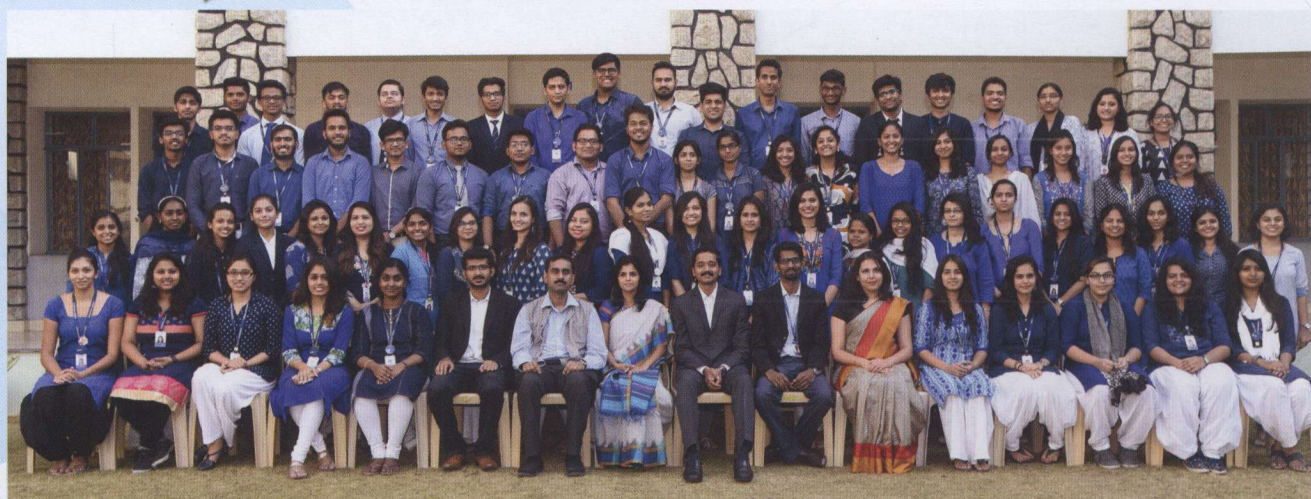
Apart from Students' Programmes, Urban Community Development, Rural and Tribal Community Development and Waste Management Efforts, this year saw a lot of initiatives from the student volunteers across the Academic Departments in producing sustainable results for every entity engaged at CSA.

CSA also witnessed the blossoming of a new group of volunteers at the BGR Campus who in tandem with the others have transformed the lives of so many people around them. More than 2000 students visited our projects during the Rural Exposure Visits. The Waste Management Unit was featured as a chapter in a book on Environmental Action in Selected Indian Colleges and Universities. CSA Kiosk, a new initiative, brought farm produce from different project areas and sold them on campus thus ensuring the farmer-friends of profits and members of Christ University- of quality products. The sustainability plans for the same include tying up with partners on

a larger scale. Skill Development Initiatives have been launched for Rural and Urban Youth as a step to making the project objectives more sustainable. Academic Expertise has been sought from various departments for external government and non-governmental projects.

Centre for Social Action





CENTRE FOR ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT [CAPS]

The Centre for Academic and Professional Support (CAPS) is an initiative that attempts to bridge the gap between classroom-based theoretical learning and career-based practical knowledge. The Centre focuses to provide resources and a channel of communication necessary for overall academic and professional development, across all disciplines. The audiences of the Centre consist of students, faculty, research scholars and the society at large. In the academic year, 2016-17 CAPS reached out to 4822 students and 147 faculty members.

The Induction Day was held on 17th July, 2016, where the Guest of Honour, Father Vice Chancellor Dr. Thomas C. Mathew, encouraged and motivated the students. His message, share knowledge and experiences freely while positively influencing and looking after each other embodied the values of CAPS and of Christy University. To acquaint volunteers from different wings and committees with each other, the Induction Day also saw a host of icebreaker games.

The second phase of CAPS' organization's workshops were conducted on 16th August 2016, where CAPS, in collaboration with the Centre for Social Research (CSR), organized a workshop on the theme 'Social Surfing'. The objective of the workshop was to sensitize young students from various universities and colleges about social media usage, media literacy and safety measures for the same.

CHETNA, in association with Centre for Social Action (CSA) and CAPS, provided community outreach training to Christites on 12th November 2016, to be able to conduct sessions with children to create awareness and become a change agent in the society. The CHAL team from CAPS conducted a trial workshop for aspiring NET students and teachers on 12th November at 2 P.M. CAPS, in association with the Test Cracker team, provided training for the Paper-I.

From 14th to 17th December, 2016, CAPS helped the students of Christ Junior College in identifying their interests and goals through a workshop that focused on career orientation. At a most crucial time of the year and at crossroads of making decisions to select the best way forward, the CHAL wing of CAPS along with the faculty of Christ University organised THE PATH AHEAD - Career Orientation week to guide the PU students

regarding the numerous career options and opportunities available to them.

On 30 January 2017, CAW (Caps Assessment Wing) organised a VARK assessment called How Do I Learn Best? This type of assessment is used to test Visual, Auditory, Read/Write and Kinesthetic learning styles of individuals. Such an assessment helped the subjects to learn about their strengths and weaknesses and it helped them to give a clear insight into the 'real self', gain direction and clarity in their career paths by gaining understanding about their Behavioural patterns, emotional quotient and employability prospects.

Magnovite is the annual techno-cultural fest organized by the Faculty of Engineering, Kengeri Campus, Christ University, Bangalore. This fest was held on 1st, 2nd and 3rd March, 2017 at Kengeri Campus, Christ University, where 15 Non-Technical Workshops ranging from Bakery to Tai Chi, writing,

yoga to time management were held. Experts, from these various fields were called to conduct the workshops lasting 3 days.

The Campus to Corporate event was held on the 7th March, 2017. The event was an attempt to give students insight on crossing over from student to employee. Experts aided the students in understanding this transition through an in-depth question and answer round.

CAPS organised workshops on recommendation letter writing for the faculties for science deanery. CAPS Content Development team set out to work on this under the guidance of Ms Anamika Viswanathan. Apart from creating the training module, a comprehensive handbook was collated with Do's and Don'ts, examples and samples and the methodology on how to go about writing these letters.

CENTRE FOR RESEARCH —

22 scholars have successfully completed PhD defense and will be awarded PhD degree during the convocation to be held on May 2017. The PhD Scholars completed Defense under the following disciplines: English – 2, Physics – 2, History – 1, Media Studies – 1, Computer Science – 4, Mathematics – 2, Social Work – 2, Management – 5, Commerce – 1 and Education – 2.

The Centre for Research completed review meeting for the 2012, 2013 and 2014 batch PhD Scholars and verified their progress in research.

The admission procedure commenced in the month of August 2016 and 52 scholars selected for admission for the academic year 2016-2017. Number of students admitted in different disciplines are as follows; Chemistry – 3, Commerce

- 2, Law – 1, Computer Science – 1, Economics – 3, Education – 3, English – 4, Engineering – 11, Management – 8, Mathematics – 1, Physics, 1, Psychology – 11, Social Work – 2 and Sociology – 1

A six months coursework classes started in the month of December 2016 and completed in the month of May, 2017. The coursework was conducted as Phase I, Phase – II and Phase – III and at the end of the Phase III, the Centre conducts End Semester Examination for the coursework conducted.





STUDENT COUNCIL

The journey of the University Student Council for the year 2016-2017 started off with a warm welcoming of the newly selected members in the month of February 2016. On 27 February 2016, the new members of the student council interacted with Fr Thomas C Matthew, Vice Chancellor, Christ University along with Dr Anil Pinto, Registrar, Christ University. To begin a new journey, striving towards Excellence and service, the newly selected members and the continuing members of the student council took their oath in the Vice Chancellor's presence on the same day.

The new academic year began with new possibilities, and the council had two day Leadership Development Retreat at the Kengeri campus. A formal annual calendar with all events for the council was detailed out and shared with all the council member setting the agenda and plan of action for the year. Committees were formed to carry out the same, and to improve the overall functioning of the council.

An Open Forum for the odd and even semesters were conducted during the last week of July 2016 and January 2017 respectively. This event was created to hear the voice of the student community and understand their concerns. The council members then voiced their suggestions and discussed with the Vice Chancellor and remedial measures were adopted to ensure a healthy student life on campus.

The Annual Career Guidance Fair 'Daksh 2016' was initiated by the Student Council in the month of September 2016. The two-day fair coincided with the NAAC Team visit on the 29 and 30 November 2016. More than 82 stalls were set up by various departments and centers. For the very first time a career counseling stall was set up for those students who required additional guidance in their career.

The Gratitude Week scheduled during the month of March 2016, with both the old and new council member working together, in expressing their gratitude towards all the working staff of the institution, for their tireless efforts to improve our life at campus.

Student Council took up several new initiative over a course of time, such as First Aid Training in collaboration with Center for Counseling and Health Services, Fire and Safety Training with the security officer of the campus, Cyclothon by the Science Deanery council members in collaboration Green Army, a week long initiative with the students of department of Professional Studies, where they stood at the back gate to orient the students about parking in right places. Trash Talk, an initiative taken up by the Psychology Department to sensitise the students of Central Block about the waste segregation policy followed by the university. Passport Mela was set up in the University campus, for which an overwhelming response of over 1200 applications were given.

OFFICE OF INFORMATION PROCESSING AND MANAGEMENT

Information Processing Management (IPM) maintains the electronic data of various programmes offered in the University.

Attendance Monitoring of the students and staff is the main function of this office. An attendance app was developed for the faculty and they can use this app for recording the attendance online of the students as per the class time table. The attendance recorded will be reflected at the same time in the student's login and can be monitored and verified by the students and parents.

This Office coordinates with other administrative offices like Office of Admissions, Office of Accounts and Office of Examinations for its smooth functioning. IPM started its work for the Academic year 2016-17 in the month of April, 2016 by defining the Curriculum and updating the course details. After the updation of the curriculum and course, the course structure is made available to students and faculty. The syllabus and course plan are made available in the student login well before classes begin.

All the First year students admitted to the academic year 2016-17 were assigned with new register number and this number is used for all the communication and records in the University. Smart Card for staff and students which can also be used as a Debit card is processed by the Office of IPM through SIB in the university campus and is distributed to the students and staff. All User id and passwords for students like student login, email id, library, My course etc. are issued to the students from the office in Cooperation with IT services.

Office of IPM sends shortage of attendance letter to the parents 3 times in a semester and this helps the parents to monitor their wards and help them to contact the Counselors and Class teachers if needed. As per the University regulations a student requires 85% of attendance needs to appear for the end semester examinations. The Office administers and monitors the issue of Hall ticket and dues clearance for all the UG & PG Students. Students can download the clearance form from the student's login if they have any dues and can be submitted at the respective offices for clearance. Office of IPM clears all the dues after verification on the same day itself.





OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Christ University, as part of its need to cater to foreign students, has a well-established International Office. This department is instrumental in promoting the welfare of foreign students, addressing student issues, arranging for the accommodation of students, aiding in the immigration formalities at the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO), document processing and a range of other responsibilities.

Office of International Affairs expanded its contacts by signing MOU's with University of Teacher Education, State of Vaud, Switzerland and Augsburg University, Germany. Christ University hosted around 216 international students for short duration program. Foreign students added to the diversity on the campus. The international students came from the following Universities/Consortium- IESEG (France), Sciences Po (France), University of Teacher Education-State of Vaud (Switzerland), Western Michigan University (USA), Baldwin Wallace University (USA), Griffith University (Australia), University of Paris-Dauphine (France), University of Applied Sciences, Wurzburg-Schweinfurt (Germany) and University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC), USA.

International Office was instrumental in providing opportunity to around 100 Christ University students to study abroad. Christ University students went to the following International Universities: Sheffield Hallam University (UK), IESEG School of Management (France), NHTV University of Applied Sciences (Netherlands), University of Applied Sciences, Wurzburg- Schweinfurt (Germany), Virginia Commonwealth University (USA), Catholic University of America (USA), Sciences Po, (France) and Baldwin Wallace University (USA).

The year gone by, has been momentous, as the University has been host to 594 international students from 58 countries. The Orientation programme was conducted at the start of the academic year. The Director of the International Office Dr. J.W Lobo and the Director of Student Welfare, Dr. Fr. Jose C.C, presided over the programme and welcomed the newly admitted students from various countries across the world. In addition, he briefed about the registration process for the international students at the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) which is of utmost importance for every international student. The ice breaking session, encouraged the students to freely mingle and get to know their fellow University mates.

Basha Utsav, the cultural fest of the University took place in the month of July. The International Office encouraged and prompted the foreign students to wholeheartedly participate in the event, which they did by donning their traditional attire and portraying their respective cultures in the form of music and dance. This was indeed a spectacular treat and created a bond among the students of various cultural backgrounds.

The Christmas and New Year programme was organized in December. Dr. Surendra Umesh Kulkarni the Dean of the Science department was the chief guest who delivered his Christmas message. Dr Fr K.J Varghese, the Chief Finance Officer, spoke at length and imparted his message to the students. The outstanding students of the third and fifth semesters were honored during the programme making the event a success. The International Office supported and encouraged the students to participate in the FISA- B (Federation of International Students Association- Bangalore) events organized in the month of February 2017. The Christites performed at the most happening International Student Meet of the year.

The International Office conducted a football match for the Boys. A basketball match was

conducted with a mixed team of both boys and girls students. The students participated with a lot of gusto and enthusiasm. These kinds of activities definitely promoted healthy competition and lasting friendships among the students.

At the close of the year, a farewell programme was organized on Saturday 18 of March 2017 by the International Office for the outgoing students. Dr. John Joseph Kennedy, Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences was the chief guest. In his address, he wished the students well and advised them to become ambassadors of the countries which they represent. Dr J. W. Lobo, Director of the International Office also bade goodbye to the students in his moving speech and appreciated the students for their excellence in their respective courses of study. The farewell programme came to a close with a lunch which was arranged for all.

The International Office takes pride in catering to and nurturing the international students in every possible way. The curtains have been drawn on the current academic year, and the International Office awaits the arrival of the sea of eager faces and new challenges that lay ahead in the years that follow!





OFFICE OF STUDENT WELFARE

This year, the Student Welfare Office has grown in efficiency and has ventured into new territory with the introduction of New Cultural Event "Patriotic Song Competition" showcasing the celebration of Independence Day. Also, this time the Out Station Cultural Fest was shifted to IIT Chennai from BITS Goa. In the Bannerghatta Campus as well, SWO this time played an active role in the Inauguration of New Auditorium and it also came forward in introducing some new events such as marathon run, etc. Volunteers from both the campus came forward and contributed their bit in organising all major events held in both the campuses.

The Cultural team placed in 25 events out of 32 events participated at the IIT Chennai – Saarang 2017. Apart from that, they also won various college fests within the city. The Christ University Cultural team also put up a cultural performance at the Christ Institute of Management, Lavasa Campus which was highly appreciated by the people. The Christ University Cultural Team and the Volunteer Team have grown to its biggest since its inception, with 150 and 450 students respectively.

'Blossoms' and 'In Bloom' have also evolved into standard intra and inter collegiate fests. In-Bloom 2017 saw more than 60 colleges across the country participating with around 25 out station colleges participating in all the events. The two day Dance Extravaganza brought in much more enthusiasm to Blossoms 2016-17. Stalls by the deaneries were a huge success and this year saw better participation in all the events which made

In-Bloom and Blossoms 2017 a great success. This year, the event witnessed 9 Deanery Team participating in Blossoms as we had a new deanery team from the BGR Campus which took part with more enthusiasm.

The University Dance team, 'Natyaaparna' and the University Choir always bring life to any program that happens in the University. This year, Natyaaparna staged an innovative dance program 'Panchatattva' for Nritta 2017, University Dance Day with more than 600 dancers taking part in it from all three campuses. Beside hosting 'Magnificat: A song of Hope' for the 11th year, the Christ University Choir also sang at the Glorious: Festival of Harmony and organized Annual Choir programme 'Sound Curry'.

The Christ University Quiz Association (CUQA) witnessed more than 350 Participants participating in various Quizzes across the year. The growth of the Quiz Association has largely contributed to the massive turnout at the In-Bloom Quiz competition this year with more than 200 teams from various colleges participating. It has also shown great promise for the growth and improvement of the thirst of knowledge among the student community of Christ University. CUQA for the fourth time has organized a National Quiz Championship (CUIZ) in November which was a huge success.

At the end of the academic year, there are always memories to cherish, bonds made and a few individuals changed for the good. An important part of the Christ University vision is for an individual to be nurtured in a holistic and dynamic environment and its fulfilment is ensured by the SWO to perfection.

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

The aim of the library department is to provide a modern, efficient and welcoming library service for the users. The Library acts on the advice of the Library Advisory Committee which meets twice in a year.

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

The Library has 2,50,908 books, 621 journal subscription and 20 online databases. The library has updated its thesis collection and now has 801 Master's thesis, 791 Mphil theses and 35 PhD theses collection in print.

The Library has added 24,547 volumes of book during the year April 2016 – March 2017. The books were added through faculty selection, book exhibition and through gratis.

Library	Titles added (April 2016 – March 2017)	Volumes added (April 2016 – March 2017)
Knowledge Centre	5322	7022
UG Library	3423	4526
CUIM	426	549
CUFE	1432	2047
Knowledge Centre, BGR	8543	10,403
TOTAL	19,146	24,547

Fig 1 Books added during April 2016 – March 2017 in respective libraries

The Library has subscribed to 621 journals for the year 2016-2017

Library	National Journals	International Journals
Knowledge Centre	176	24

Library	National Journals	International Journals
UG Library	126	5
CUFE	107	12
Knowledge Centre, BGR	61	13
General Magazines	91	
TOTAL	561	60

In addition to it the library has a collection of more than 60,000 e-journals, 2.5 lakhs e-books, subscribed for the year 2016-2017 through various online database publishers.

The databases renewed are:

Databases
Annual Reviews
EBSCO (Psychology)
Emerald (Engineering)
ProQuest Science
HeinOnline
IndiaStat
LexisNexis
Manupatra
Mathscinet
OECD ilibrary
ProQuest ABI/INFORM
ProQuest Research Library
ProQuest Theses and Dissertations
Springer Link
Westlaw
LexisNexis India
Grammarly
Turnitin



Library	No. of Borrowing	No. of Renewals
Knowledge Centre	1,22,639	12,508
UG Library	38,581	10,486
CUFE	22,353	7,365
CUIM	4,268	2046
Knowledge Centre, BRC	14,871	1193
TOTAL	2,02,712	33,598

NETWORKING WITH OTHER INSTITUTION LIBRARIES

The library has renewed Institutional membership with following Institutes for the year 2015 – 2016. Many scholars and faculty utilized this facility for their research and classroom teaching:

1. Indian Institute of Management
2. British Council Library, Bengaluru
3. Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bengaluru
4. DVK Library, Bengaluru
5. National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bengaluru

6. Kristu Jayanti College, Bengaluru.

Users can visit the above institutional libraries by collecting library cards from the Christ University Library. One card per student is issued for a period of 14 days.

LIBRARY REFERENCE SERVICE TO VISITORS

Like last year, this year the library had research scholars from various Universities and Colleges for using the library facilities. Some of the library users from other Universities include:

1. Periyar University, Salem
2. Nallamuthu Gounder Mahalingam College, Pollachi
3. Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli
4. RMIT University, Australia
5. DVK Central Library, Bengaluru.
6. Kannur University
7. Central University of Kerala
8. CMI Bhavan, Egmore, Chennai
9. University of West Georgia, Georgia
10. Christ Junior College, Bengaluru.
11. Tamil University, Thanjam
12. Bharathiar University, Coimbatore



CENTRE FOR EDUCATION BEYOND CURRICULUM [CEDBEC]

Centre for Education Beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC), an Initiative of (IQAC) Christ University, initiated and conducted several National workshops, seminars and conferences in the academic year 2016-17.

Apart from conducting seminars, conferences and workshops the CEDBEC also offers consultancy on academic and administrative issues. It offered consultancy to members of Xavier Board of Higher Education on 4 March 2017 on Quality and accreditation process.

The Centre organized a workshop on 'Patenting and Intellectual Property Rights' on 14 March 2017 and this workshop was conducted by Pankaj P. Borkar, Asst. Controller of P&D, IPO Mumbai, Head, RGNIPM/PIS, Nagpur DIPP, Ministry of Commerce

& Industry - Govt. of India. This programme was attended by 17 members

Another workshop 'Story Based Learning' was organized on 17-18 March 2017. John Edathattil and Maurice Devaraj were the course directors. John Edathattil is the Head of Screenwriting Department at L.V. Prasad Film and Television Academy, Chennai. Currently he runs ScreenWrite. In - India's Only Screenwriters' Studio in Chennai, India that teaches and guides young aspirants the professional skills of writing a screenplay. This programme offered sufficient orientation to the teachers to use storytelling as an effective pedagogic tool even with the most complex curricular structures. A total of 36 members participated in the programme

There was a seminar on leadership, a consultancy venture, for the teachers of Darshan College, Kengeri on 19 March 2017 where about 28 leaders from the institution attended the programme.

SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION

IT Services Department at Christ University endeavors to offer effective and prompt service so as to provide total satisfaction to all members in the university. As a team, IT initiated the implementation of operation standards in all its tasks to upgrade the Service quality. Processes and objectives have been defined to optimize its operations. Documentation and analysis methods have been initiated by the team for continued Service improvement.

SERVICES OFFERED BY THE IT TEAM

IT INFRASTRUCTURE

IT Infrastructure is well designed to handle student and staff strength. Usage of IT services like knowledge pro(KP), Learning management systems (Moodle), Digital learning sessions and other IT related activities are extensive due to which infrastructure upgrade is done to handle the load efficiently. New higher end Servers are in place and Internet bandwidth has been doubled for effective usage. To support the staff and students, IT Services Support system has been implemented focusing and supporting the effective use of all the services and infrastructure.

IT SUPPORT

The Team offers Hardware/ Software/ System/Network support to all users in Christ University by carrying out various activities at the appropriate time. It has also initiated the implementation of various processes to meet the requirement of quality system support and

maintenance. Network security enhancement is enforced by implementing Network access privileges only to the staff and students. Support Request handling tool has been implemented to automate the Infrastructure support requests from staff and students. This is to track and make sure that all requests are handled in time by the IT Infrastructure Support staff. A new feature has been incorporated in Knowledge Pro for staff and students to register issues related to all the Services provided by the University. This is tracked and coordinated by IT department to make sure that requests are effectively addressed within 24 hours. Escalation matrix is implemented up to the top level of the management to enhance the efficiency of the support system. A dedicated team is handling and monitoring IT Support requests.

WEBSITE MANAGEMENT

Christ university website has been redesigned to improve the aesthetic appeal and the interface. Website's content management is monitored by dedicated members of the team who coordinate with various departments to update latest contents like News and events, details about academic programs, faculty members, syllabus, and evaluation systems. IT Service team also maintains dedicated pages for exam alerts and support services.

ERP – KNOWLEDGE PRO

ERP is enhanced with new features facilitating online solutions for the academic needs of the staff, students and parents. New features and tools are added in KP as per request from various departments in consultation with the management.



A dedicated team is in the campus for the development and monitoring of our ERP software. KP training and implementation is handled and monitored by IT team.

DIGITAL TRAINING TEAM

Digital learning training team is a part of IT Services department with the responsibility to assist and train staff and faculty in IT related activities. The team also trains faculty members to prepare and implement Online Certification courses using Moodle – The Learning Management System. Training materials are prepared by the team for Moodle and useful Digital tools which are being distributed.

SAP01 OVERVIEW CERTIFICATION

IT Department coordinates and implements the SAP01 certification program. The Program is open for all students and staff. A dedicated team is coordinating the program from registration of the course till conducting online exams. A combined certificate from SAP and Christ University is issued to all the passing students.

Other services maintained and monitored by the IT Team:

- Mobile applications
interactive Voice response System (IVRS)- For attendance, exam results and admission status
- Intranet Databank – for students to download eBook, articles and study materials.
- Online Databases - For students to access books, articles, journals and research publications.
- Repository – This Service assist students in the preparation of examination providing questions banks for the previous years
- E-journals - This service provides members of the university access to e-journals for research, self-learning and preparations for assignments and presentations.
- Library Services – Provides online library catalogue to search books, new book arrival details, Online renewal/reservations, SMS and email alerts for all transaction
- Email services for staff and students. Personal mail IDs will be provided to staff and students.

Group mail ID is available class wise to enhance effective communication.

- Departmental events and online tests for placements are supported and assisted by the IT team

IT INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT - ENHANCEMENTS OF THE YEAR

A. Security assessment and performance Audit of IT Infrastructure has been carried out.

1. Based on which following are the Server and Network Security Accomplishments
2. Implemented Gateway Server – To facilitate single entry point for all access to IT infrastructure.
3. Virtualization of Servers – To secure servers and for the better disastrous recovery process.
4. Server hardening and Scanning. – Identified security gaps in the Server installation and the gaps fixed
5. Backup & Disaster Recovery - Implementation of this solution has helped in alleviating any failure to services

B. High Availability Focus of IT Services

Internet Bandwidth Upgrade

- Main Campus 200Mbps upgraded to 410 Mbps
- Kengeri Campus 1044 Mbps upgraded to 1224 Mbps
- BGR Campus - 85 Mbps (New)
High availability of Servers – This is implemented through Virtual Server technology and backup plans

Firewall High Availability – One more Firewall device has been added to support High Availability of Services and to enforce Security policies of the network

Power Backup - Multiple power backup sources have been implemented to the Server and network infrastructure

C. Network Infrastructure Upgrade for Performance

To manage the user load and to enhance the network performance, network components

has been upgraded across the campus. Network backbone Cables has been upgraded with new Optical Fiber cables. Centralized management and monitoring tools are in place to manage the network. Single LAN topology of the network has been changed to Virtual LAN topology to enhance the network performance.

D. Campus WiFi

WiFi Coverage area in the campus has been enhanced by installing more Wifi devices.

Wi-Fi Instant access facility has been implemented to avoid the delay for the guests and groups to use our internet facility

E. Office of Online Training and Examination

Dedicated online test and placement lab with capacity of 95 workstations is made functional. This lab is exclusively used for online exams,

training and placements of the campus.

EVENT HOSTED BY IT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

NKN IDEATHON-2017

IT Services , Christ university hosted NKN Ideathon-2017 organised by National Knowledge Network in association with Indian Institute of Technology Delhi . 100-120 representatives from NKN connected institutes in south region participated. The objective of the competition is to catalyze university students from all fields of study to learn more about the complex challenges prevailing in the world, like food, education and health and inspire them to channel their passions and creativity towards developing new ideas that make a difference.

ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN CHRISTITES [ACC]

Academic year 2016-17 was an astonishing year for ACC (Association of Christian Christites) as it had organized many programs for Christian students within the campus to nurture the core values of Christ University, "Faith in God". The core team consist of Joel Augustine as president along with Alan Job Jose, Letisha Thomas and Haritha Babu.

The activities started with the inaugural mass which was conducted in the first week of June followed by orientation programme conducted in the second week of June at K E auditorium. LTP (Leadership Training Programme) was led by C.C. Joseph organised in the month of July. Regalo, the workshop for students was conducted by the end of July. The Annual UG retreat, Eleos was conducted on 4 and 5 of September 2016, which was for the all the Undergraduate students on campus. The Annual PG retreat was conducted on 6 November

2016, at Christ University Main auditorium which was for the all the Postgraduate students on campus. The resources for the Retreat were Livin Varghese and Vox Christi music ministry. The month of December was filled with activities galore like Christmas trees, Christmas Crib, Christmas Mass, Annual Christmas Celebration, Christmas carols so on and so forth. ACC secured Runners up in the Gospel Fest conducted by Mount Carmel College and overall Championship in the Gospel fest conducted by St. Ann's college. Thanksgiving mass was celebrated by our Vice Chancellor Fr. Dr. Thomas C. Mathew and all the other Priests who are part of Christ University at Dharmaram Chapel. It was time to bid farewell to all the third-year students who guided and stood by ACC. As a token of gratitude they were taken on a trip to Coorg, the Scotland of India. The ACC was accompanied by our director Fr. Joby Xavier and brother coordinators Br. Shinto and Br. Jerry and conducted various activities and interactive sessions.





NATIONAL CADET CORPS [NCC]

The National Cadet Corps, 2/9 Coy NCC, Christ University, had yet another year, full of learning opportunities, exciting challenges and remarkable achievements.

Cadet SGT Pooja Sharma and SGT Yamini Sharma represented Karnataka & Goa Dte at the prestigious Republic Day Camp 2017 and marched at the Rajpath. Three cadets from 2/9 coy completed the tough and demanding TSC in the year 2017. 11 SD cadets participated in the Basketball event at the National Games 2016, representing Karnataka and Goa Dte. and won Silver medal and 9 SW cadets represented the state in the volleyball event at National Games 2016-2017.

The company conducted a rigorous and fun-filled special adventure course in collaboration with HMI Darjeeling from April 29 to May 14 2016. On June 21 2016, the entire Company took part in International Yoga Day.

In the spirit of attending to the call of national service, three of our cadets - CDT. Wiwangbou Wijunamai, Rahul Singh and Rion Varghese - have joined the Indian Army.

SUO Ben Chrisbin represented India in the YEP to Kazakhstan. SUO Aditya from Air Force Wing represented India in Kazakhstan. Our cadets made their mark in the Army Attachment Camp at Secunderabad; National Integration Camp, Delhi (inclusive of the PM RALLY); Basic Leadership Camp, Mysore; Advanced Leadership Camp, ASSAM; Advanced Leadership Camp, Allahabad; and the Skiing Camp in Gulmarg.

The crowning glory was the winning of the Best Institution Award by the cadets of the Senior Wing, at the State level. Further, 15 commendations were won by our company, which is inclusive of the DG Commendation Award won by Lt Sajina Begum and the Chief Minister's Commendation Award bestowed on the university's Vice Chancellor - Rev. Col Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew, in recognition of his unflinching and exemplary support to the NCC.

The Company also carried out a lot of Social Service activities, which include AIDS and Cancer Awareness programme conducted on the Independence Day at KIDWAI hospital and Sneha Care Home; a social awareness campaign on Digitalization - "CASHLESS TRANSACTION"; a campaign on Traffic Awareness and No Tobacco, and Swachh Bharath Abhiyan in Suddagunte palya.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The Department of Physical Education and Sports divided its activities into two broad categories - intramural and extramural. The year started off with the Pedagogic League held in June and July with competitions in football, basketball, volleyball, throw-ball, tennis and hockey. The highest participation was registered for football with over 300 students. The League allowed for the selection of the best players who would then represent the Christ University main teams. The Physical Education Department provided professional coaches for their training. This event was followed by the Super League where the top four teams of each discipline from the Pedagogic League took part. This provided the students an extra opportunity to showcase their talents.

In the month of August, the annual inter-collegiate sports festival, CHRI-SPO FEST, was held. B.PRAMILA AYYAPPA (OLYMPIAN) was the Chief Guest for this occasion. The university sports team had participated in all the events for men and women. The Annual Athletic Meet was held on 2 December 2016 at the University Ground. Shri Arjun Devaiah Theethamada, International Athlete and Ekalaya Awardee inaugurated the tournament. The University Cricket team participated and

won the series in the International Exposure series organised in Sri Lanka in the month of February 2017.

MEGHANA MOHAN & ROHITH SHIROFF represented the University in the All India Inter-University Rowing Championship at Punjabi University.

MAYUR D BHANU & JASMEET KAUR GILL represented the University in the All-India Inter University Shooting Competition at Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.

KARAN KUMRA RAYADURG of II PSENG represented the All India Inter-University Cross Country Championship at Alvas Education Foundation, Karnataka.

INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Karan GOLLERKERI of I B.Com won the bronze medal at the 5th Asian School Table Tennis



Championship in Singapore held from 12-17 August 2016.

SHREY of III B.Com was selected for outstanding achievement at the 2016 JEONJU Open International TAEKWONDO championship held in Korea for winning two gold medals.

MAYUR GOWDA of III BBALLB bagged the bronze medal in Rifle Shooting at the ISSF 2016 Junior World Championship held at QABALA, AZERBAIJAN.

NATIONAL LEVEL ACHIEVEMENTS

MEGHANA of III B.Com secured three silver medals in 50mts, 100mts, and 200 mts at the All India Invitational Dragon Boat Championship 2016, Ulsoor Lake.

JOYCE.J & SUSHMITHA.S were selected for the Karnataka State Throwball team for the federation cup held at ANDHRA PRADESH in August 2016.

NAMMI NAVYA THEJA secured the bronze medal in the All India Inter-University diving (1 meters springboard) Championship held at Punjabi University, Chandigarh.

UJJAINI DESIRAZU of II BA secured the second place in the Junior National Basketball Tournament held in Ludhiana, Punjab.

The Department had also organised games and competitions for the staff during the month of November and December 2016. Scholarships



were given to 55 students through the department for excelling in both academics and sports. The Department also awarded certificate courses for 28 students who represented the University at the inter-collegiate and inter-university championships. The prestigious awards for the best sportsman and best sportswoman were presented to the outgoing students, PRAKASH P (III B.Com) and SRIVIDHYA SOMANNA P (III BA) respectively by Fr T.V THOMAS (Director, Management Studies).

The year 2016-17 proved to be a rich harvest of trophies and shields for the University. The college football teams (men and women) deserve a special mention as they settled for nothing less than gold in any tournament they were a part of. The women's football team were the winners of Spiel (SJCC), Sphygmus (JNC) and MCC sports meets whereas the men's football team finished first in JNC, MCC and Presidency tournaments.



The department of Physical Education surely witnessed a magnificent end to this academic year. Under the guidance of the management, the physical education department and coaches worked hard in nurturing these young sportspersons. Thus, the champions made winning a habit and returned with proud titles as this year drew to an end.

CHRIST UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



Christ University Alumni Association represents the voice of all graduated Christites of the University and committed to enhance the growth of the University by providing a wide

range of resources and opportunities. The year 2016-2017, 5175 graduating students has been registered as alumnus. Alumni Webpage (<http://alumni.christuniversity.in/>) provides information to all members on the activities of the alumni association and development of the University.



NODAL OFFICE TRIVANDRUM

Activities of the Christ University Nodal Office Trivandrum during 2016 were (a) conducting national level training workshops for researchers; (b) micro-research studies; (c) sharing information on Christ University and (d) guidance to interested applicant students.

Thirty eight National level Training Workshops were conducted in 2016 on 16 different topics, with a total 498 participants. Average number of participants of the Workshops was 14; remained more or less same as previous years.

Participants varied in terms of place of living/work, discipline, institutions, academic levels, gender, and research experience. About 40 percent of the participants were from outside Kerala. They included Scientists from national and regional level research institutions, and academicians, research scholars and even PG students from Universities, Colleges and other teaching institutions located at different parts of the country. About half the participants

were women. Participants also belonged to the following different disciplines: Social Sciences, Life Sciences, Arts, Linguistics, Management, Engineering, Physical Sciences and health related topics including Nursing and Pharmaceutical Sciences. It was challenging to conduct training workshops with such heterogeneity.

Feedback from the participants of the Training Workshops were generally positive. Many researchers participated in more than one workshop, indicating the quality and usefulness of training.

The Research Director took up micro research project on innovative waste management practices in Kerala during the period. The report of the project is getting finalised. The Nodal Office shared, through publications, internet and telephone, information on different programmes of the Christ University, mainly to interested researchers of Kerala. Many interested applicants visited the Nodal Office in 2016, often with their parents, to know more about the courses conducted by Christ University and also for guidance in applying. All visitors were given possible guidance in applying to their interested courses.



INTERVIEW WITH DR KENNEDY ANDREW THOMAS

Dr. Kennedy Andrew Thomas is the Director of Centre for Education Beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC) of Christ University.

Sir, how was the climb like in your various roles at Christ University?

I have seen and been part of the shifting roles of the Christ community from being an affiliated to an autonomous college and finally to a deemed university and across these three roles, the Christ community abides by clear principles of 'Nurture, Blossom and Bloom', which remains the guiding light of the university to ensure the development of its faculty and students to achieve excellence in all aspects. Holistic development is a key word that remains etched in all activities that are undertaken by the university to blossom and bloom, through which a sense of quality leadership and freedom is born. Being part of the Christ family for the last 17 years and being a specialist in education I started off in 2000 as being the Coordinator for the Centre for Education beyond Curriculum and then to the post of the Director for Internal Quality Assessment. I strive to focus on faculty development and

enhancement through conceptualising ideas and methods.

What would you recall as your fondest days in Christ?

In 2010, as the wave of technology hit academia, we organized a unique platform called the 'Virtual Global Conference', where presentations were streamed online and various people were connected through the online portals such as delegates from the United States, England, Korea, New Zealand along with esteemed speakers like Dr. Wayne Macintosh. The program was driven in a slightly different way, where the University acted as the central point as delegates gathered here and moderators were appointed for each session and almost all speakers were online. It was a monumental moment where we had to put forth our entire trust on this unknown entity of technology and to drive home the point that

if there is any expert in any part of the world, it is indeed possible to connect with them through this great mode of technology. It was truly a one of a kind and a mind-boggling experience.

You're very keen on research. What is it that drives you towards this sphere of academics?

By nature it's always been my passion and my liking towards facing challenges. It has always been in my nature to also look at things from a different perspective and to have this inert need to explore and investigate new forms of knowledge to acquire something new. A positive mentality towards research is a trained process that fails to take place in India, where the crux of any research focuses on logic, reason and the capability to apply a higher level of pragmatism. Most of the educational institutions are information driven and this can be acquired easily, however the methodology to gain the power of reasoning and to investigate must be planted among the community through training.

Your research and your job profile have enabled you to travel a lot. Which would you consider as your best travel experience by far?

I have been lucky to travel a lot on scholarships and the days that I spent at the De La Salle University in Philippines, has been the most prosperous experiences that I have had. Though a small country, what it offered me in terms of research and academic resource was quite terrific. I stayed there for four months and I was taken aback by the educational and intellectual focus of the researchers, and their very advanced thinking in terms of their clear objectives and authenticity of ideas. The accumulated knowledge that they have gained through their experience has resulted in creating a clear dichotomy between observation, evidence and empirical objectivity. It is this aspect of research and the behavior of the researchers that drew me to De La Salle University and Philippines at large.

Do you keep yourself busy through other activities besides your work?

I indulge in a lot of reading and through my college days I have ventured upon a lot of novels, but now, my reading habits are more driven towards the academic based narratives. I was also quite a movie fanatic in my younger days and I have watched almost all classics like Ben Hur, Clash of the Titans and such, however now my focus solely lies in research and literature.

Many activities have been introduced in Christ University for student teacher welfare and development. Which of these would you recommend as the most effective?

The two most important activities that have been extremely effective are that of the holistic development and the faculty development programs in the university and faculty development programs outside the university. These are brought forth as seminars and workshops to the teachers and then to the students, therefore creating a cascading effect. These activities focus on the core values, vision and mission of the institution, which therefore, creates an atmosphere for the holistic development of all.

You are a strong believer in God. What is it that keeps you holding on to this faith?

I was inspired and groomed by the principles and values of the elders in the society and so I have groomed an attitude to be accepting of others and at the same time to hold on to my beliefs in a world so diverse in its thoughts and ideology. Further, there should also be a balance between your mindset and the expectations of the community at large, to lead a good life.

What would be your philosophy of life?

It is necessary to have a genuine approach to life, as time will test you in your abilities. Also it is important for each of us to set standards for ourselves and try to always meet these standards by being accountable to oneself.

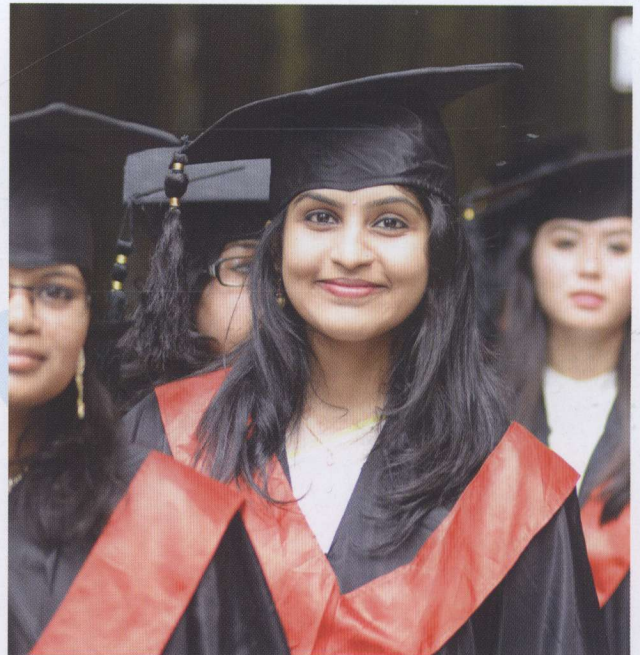
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CONVOCATION

The Christ University Convocation for the class of 2016 was held between 25-29 May 2016. This year the convocations were held for five days from 04:30-07:30pm at the University Auditorium. Graduating students from across the varied deaneries of the University were honoured with degrees. The five day convocation were presided over by Dr Fr Thomas Aykara, Chancellor, and Christ University and addressed by Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew, Vice Chancellor, Christ University. All the Deans, Heads of Department, Coordinators, Faculty and members of the staff attended the programme. Mr Jugnu Uberoi, President of the Alumni Association felicitated the graduating students on all the five days.

Wednesday 25 May 2016, the students from the Deanery of Science and Faculty of Engineering were awarded their respective degrees; the Chief Guest of the day was Dr B N Suresh, Chairman, DRDO, Bengaluru. While Thursday 26 May 2016, the students from the Deanery of Humanities and Social Sciences were awarded their respective degrees, the Chief Guest of the Day was Dr, Fr. Paul Parathazham, Director, St John's National Academy of Health Sciences, Bengaluru. Day 3 Friday 27 May 2016, the students from the Deanery of Commerce were awarded their respective degrees, the Chief Guest of the day was Francois Gautier, Consulate General of France in Bengaluru. On day 4, Saturday



28 May 2016, students from the Deanery of Management and School of Law were awarded their respective degrees, the Chief Guest of the day was, the Chief Guest of the day was Mrs. Meira Kumar, Former Speaker, Lok Sabha and guest of Honour Hon'ble Justice N Kumar, High Court of Karnataka. On Sunday 29 May 2016, the students from the Institute of Management, School of Education and PhD Scholar were awarded their respective degrees, the Chief Guest of the day was Mr Sachin Pilot, Former Union Minister of State for Communications and IT and Corporate Affairs.





BASHA UTSAV & ETHNIC DAY

With its regional, national and international approach, Christ University occupies a unique place among all the higher educational institutions in India. Here, rigorous academic and professional training go hand in hand with healthy and meaningful living. A globally known centre for excellence with students teachers, staff from all corners of India and abroad. Christ University gives a new dimension to cultural pluralism. Rising above parochial tendencies of religion, caste, creed or language, our achievements can

be attributed to our professionalism and commitment. With the intension of sustaining this spirit formally and informally, the Department of Languages takes pride in showcasing the rich Indian cultural heritage; its dynamism and vibrancy, and its power to unique people. This is the spirit behind Bhasha Utsav that is celebrated during the month of September of every year. Beginning with an ethnic procession led by

Vice Chancellor and the faculty followed by representations from the different countries and states, the day was filled with folk performances by students and professional folk artists which saw Christites outfitted in all their ethnicity oscillating to the sound of music.





RECTOR'S DAY & CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

As Christ University grows, the Rector's Day Celebrations become more important as this day provides an opportunity for the entire family of teaching and non-teaching Christites to come together from the Main, Bannerghatta and the Kengeri campuses in Bengaluru in a non-academic setting. This academic year, the celebrations were held on December 15, 2016, and the evening was a riot of dance, music, drama, colour and festivities which brought together the thousand plus strong family of Christites under the leadership of our Rector, Dr Fr. Thomas Ayykara. The eight clusters of Administration, Bannerghatta Campus, Commerce, CUFE, Humanities and Social Sciences, Management and IMCU, School

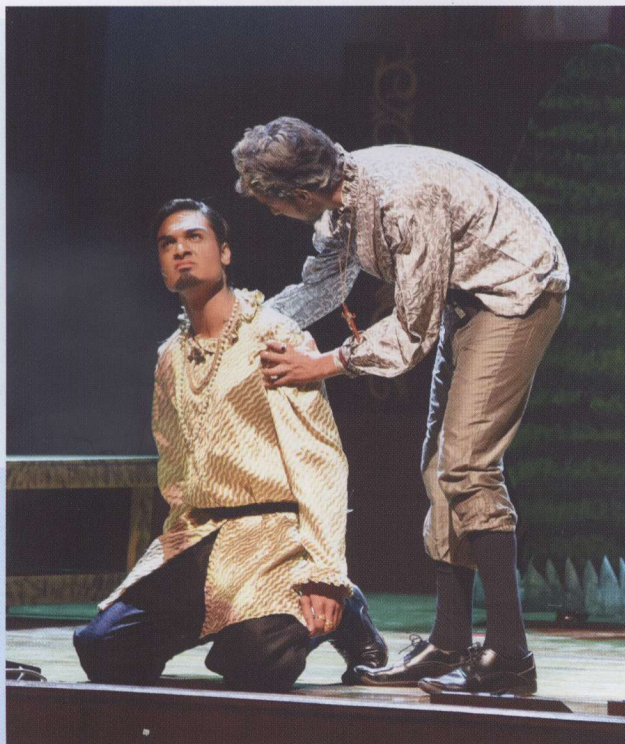
of Law and Sciences competed with each other to put together the most entertaining stage events. The evening came to an end with the customary exchange of gifts and a sumptuous dinner which marked the beginning of the festive season and brought great cheer and camaraderie.





MEGA PRODUCTION

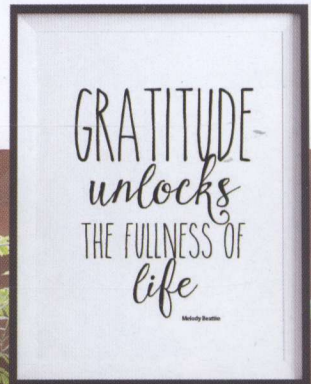
This year's Mega Production, was the story of Jeanne d'Arc, the patron saint of France who was martyred at the tender age of 19. The play was directed by Prof. Esther Yates, aided by third year students Ninad Samadder and Freya Kothari, and second year students G. Aishwarya and Julianna



Maria James. The challenge faced this year was to bring forth a production with just the members of the Department, which was originally tough, since the play required a lot of extras, in terms of both the English and French armies, but in the spirit of helping fellow performers, generous help was received from the Performing Arts department, as well as the School of Law.

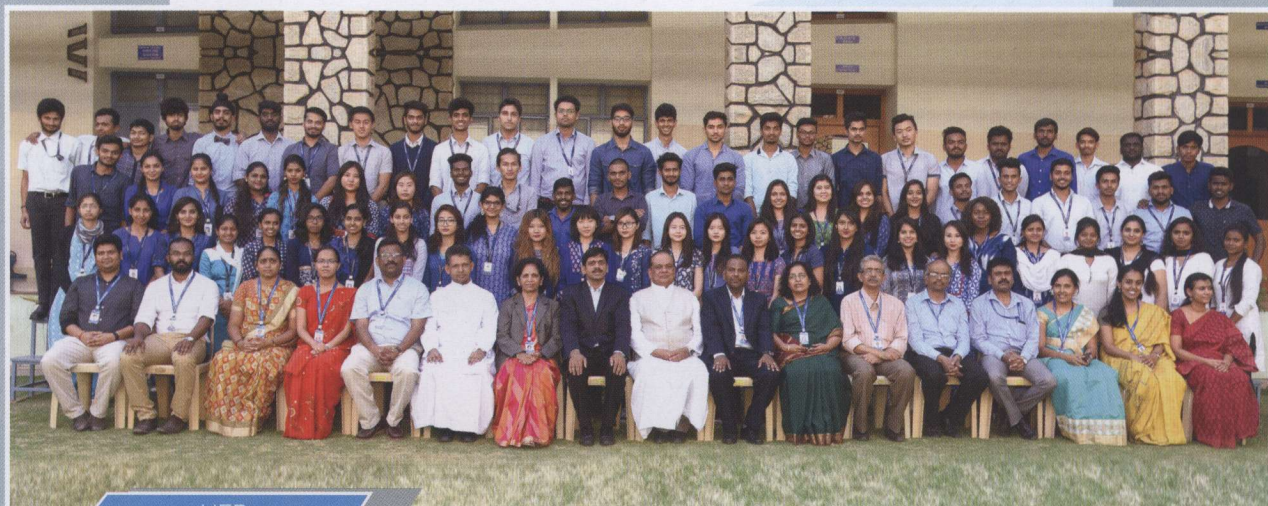
The awe-inspiring life of an immensely holy woman was excellently portrayed by not one, but three actors, each at 3 crucial stages of the saint's life. The script for the play was written from scratch, woven around moments in Jeanne's life where she received her instructions from heaven, conveyed to her through the archangels Michael and Gabriel, and the saints Catherine and Margaret. The play was performed on the 11th and 12th of February in the KE Auditorium, Block 4. The entire cast, with the exception of the angels, received training in delivering their lines in an authentic French accent, owing to the setting of the play. The readings for the play began in the second week of November, after auditions for the various roles in the play. Over the month, the actors got accustomed to their characters, delving deep into their lives and understanding their motivations. The dedication with which every practice was treated led to the presentation of two magnificent shows to showers of applause from an admiring audience.

GARTITUDE AND FAREWELL DAY (GLIMPSES)

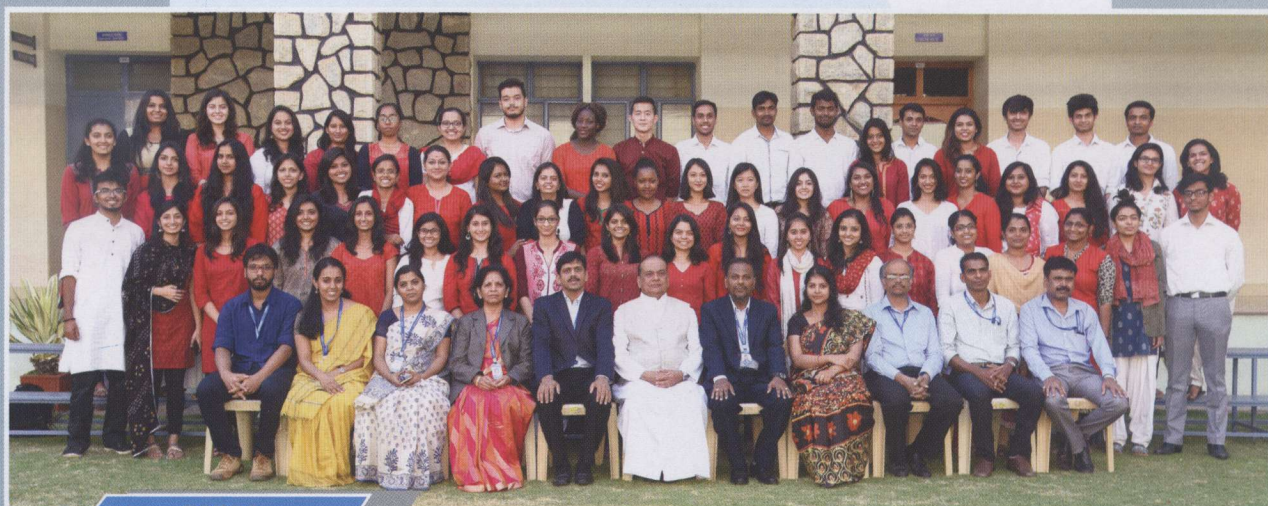




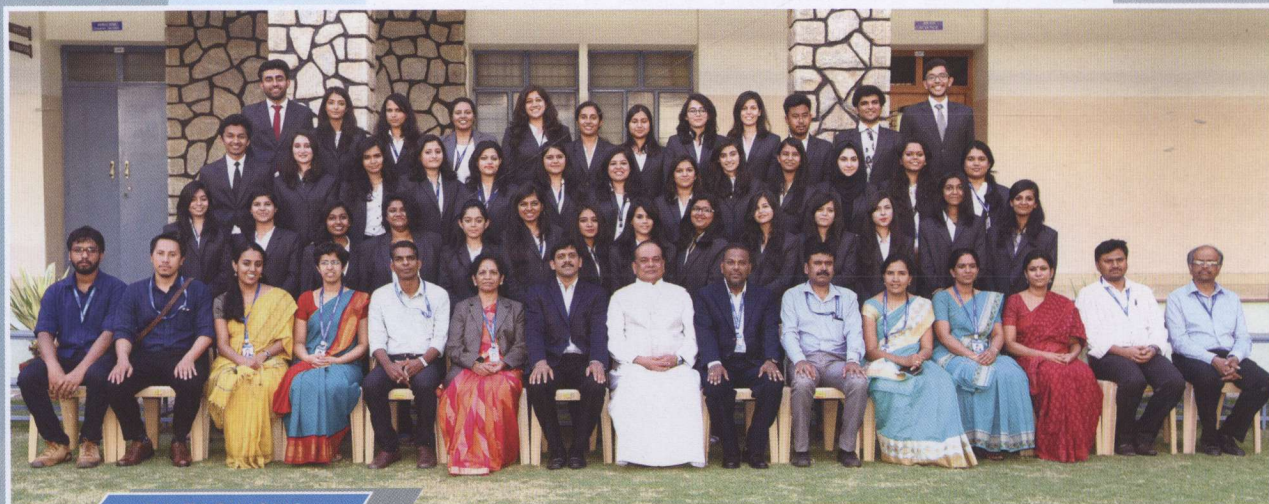
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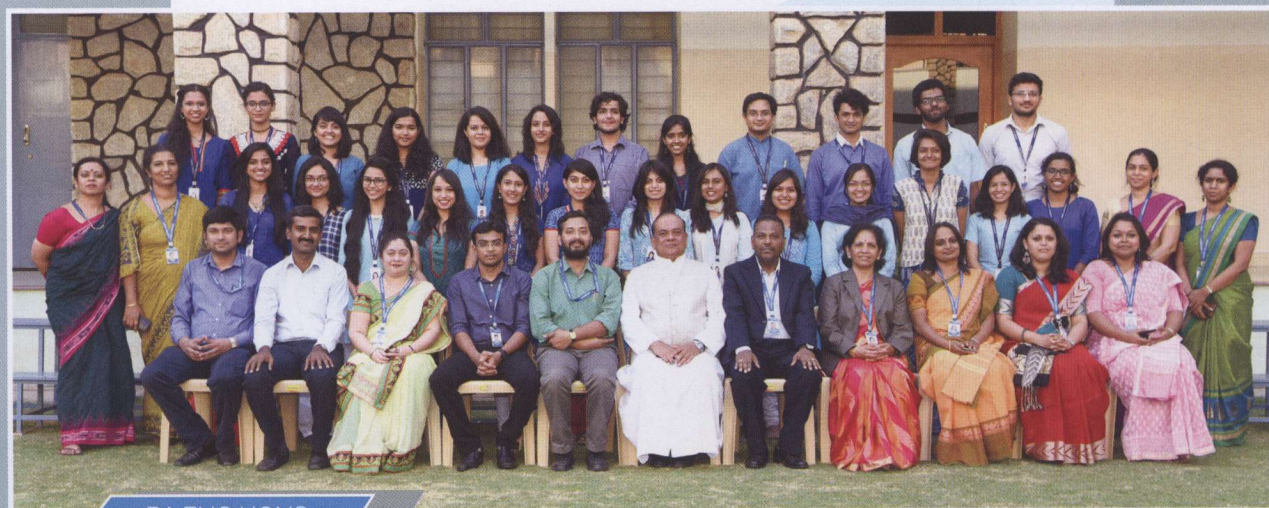
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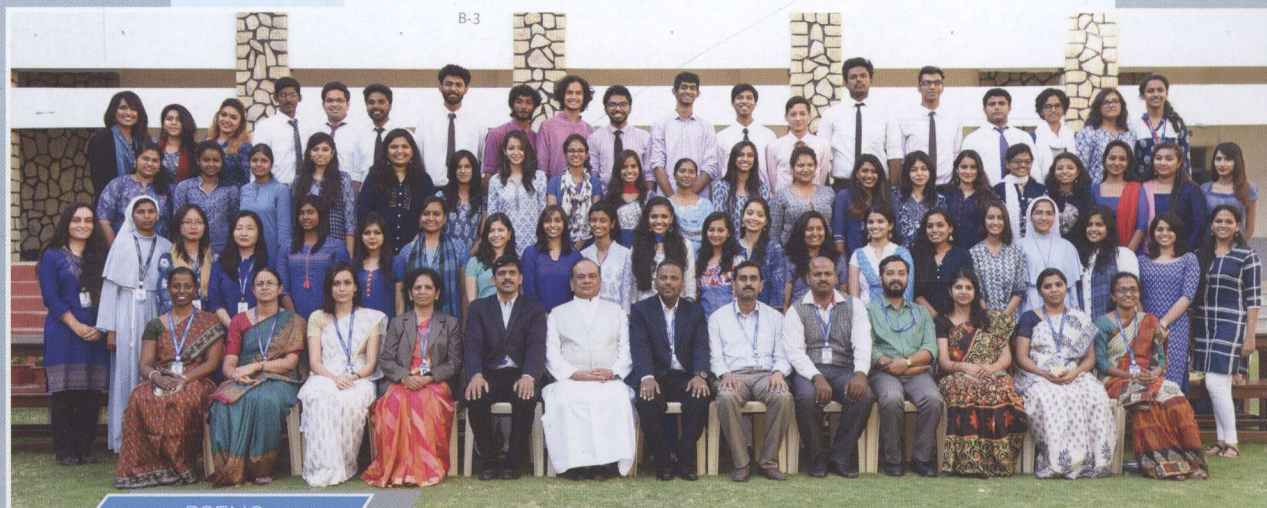
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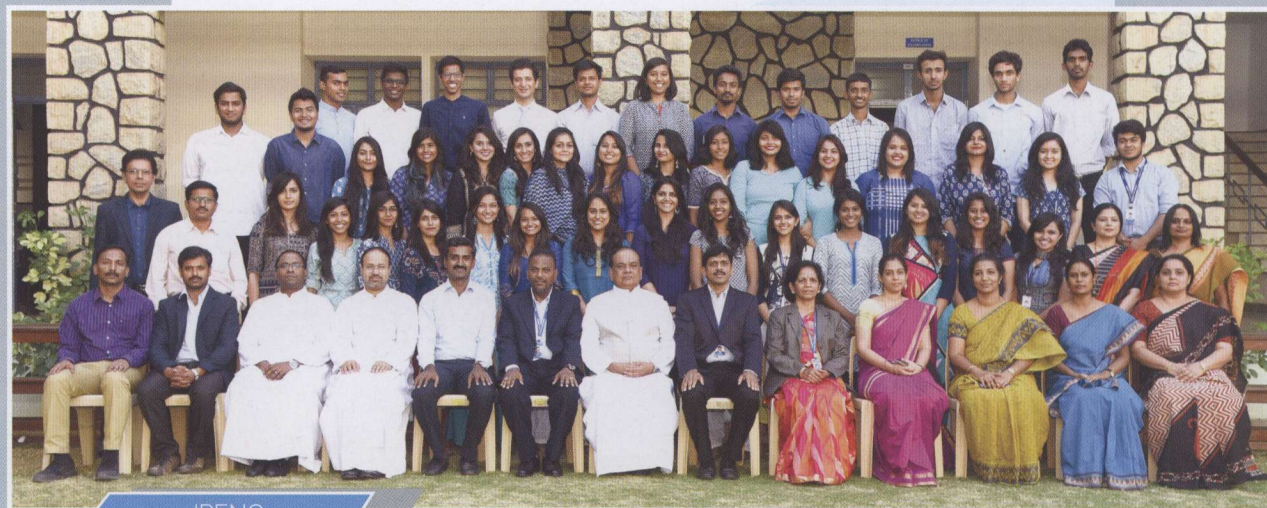
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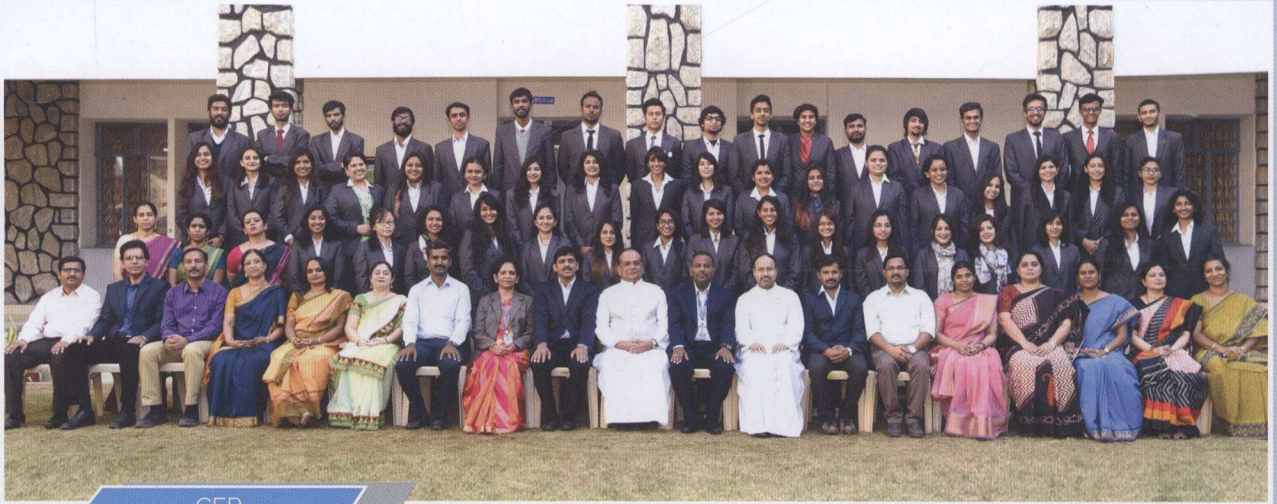
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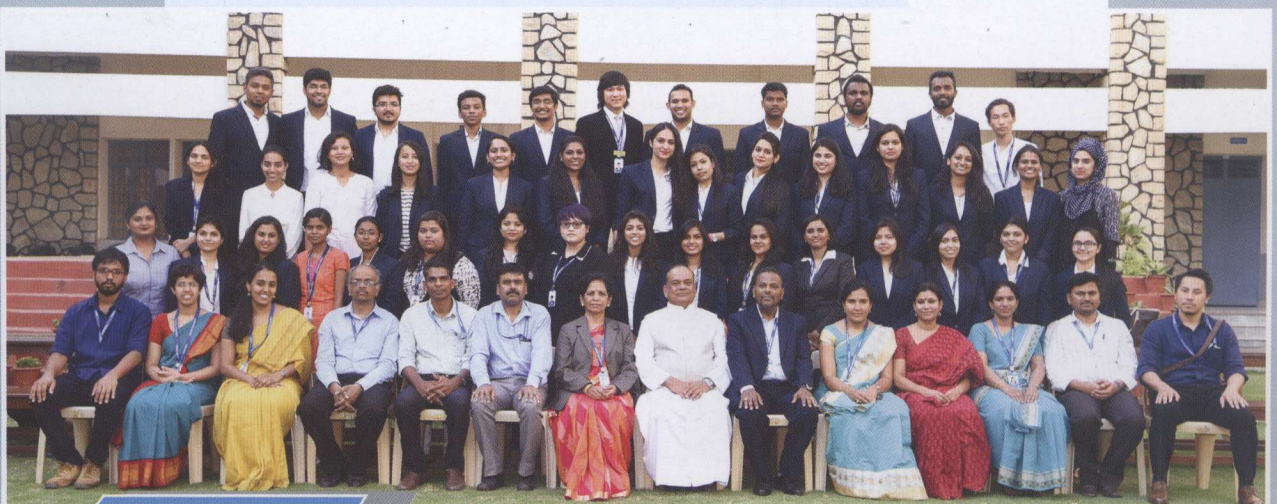
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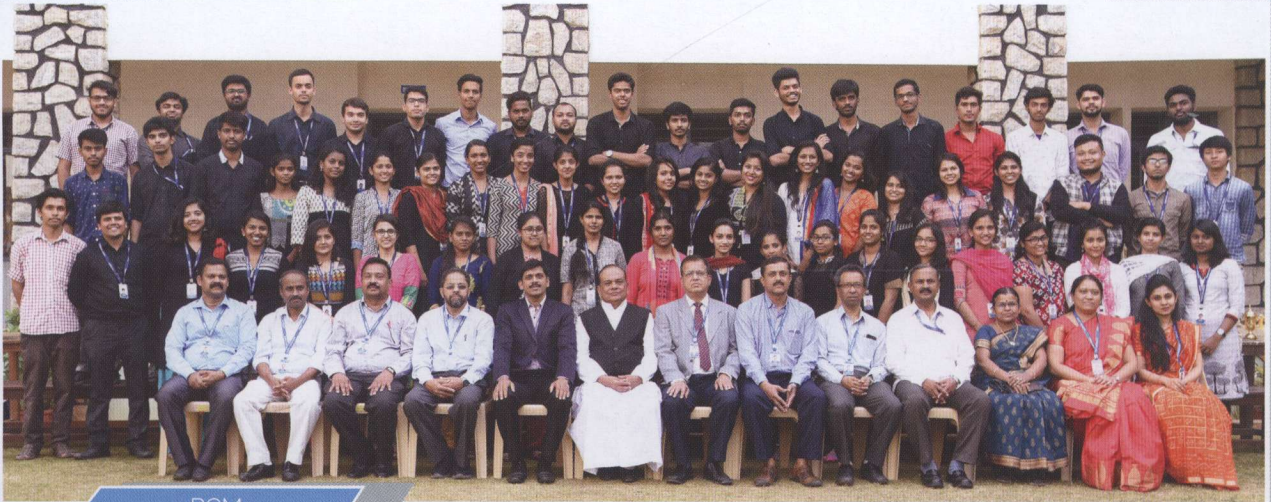
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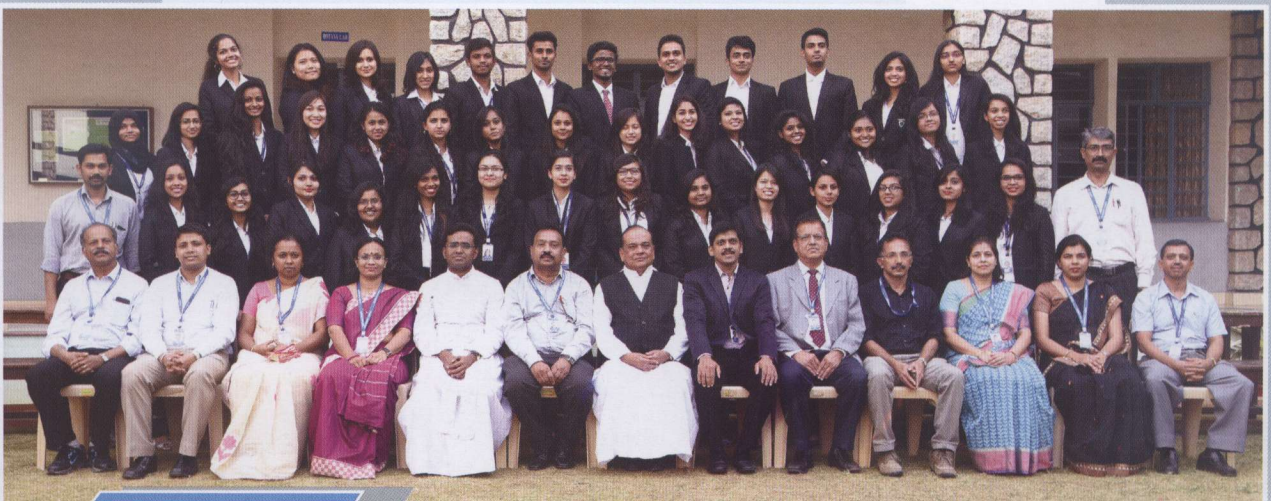
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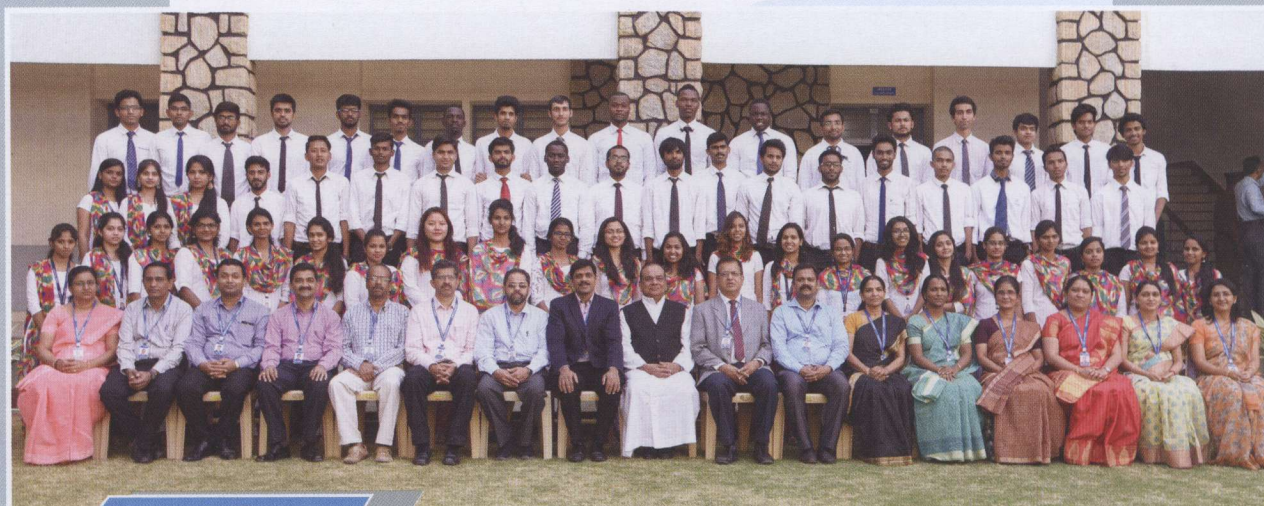
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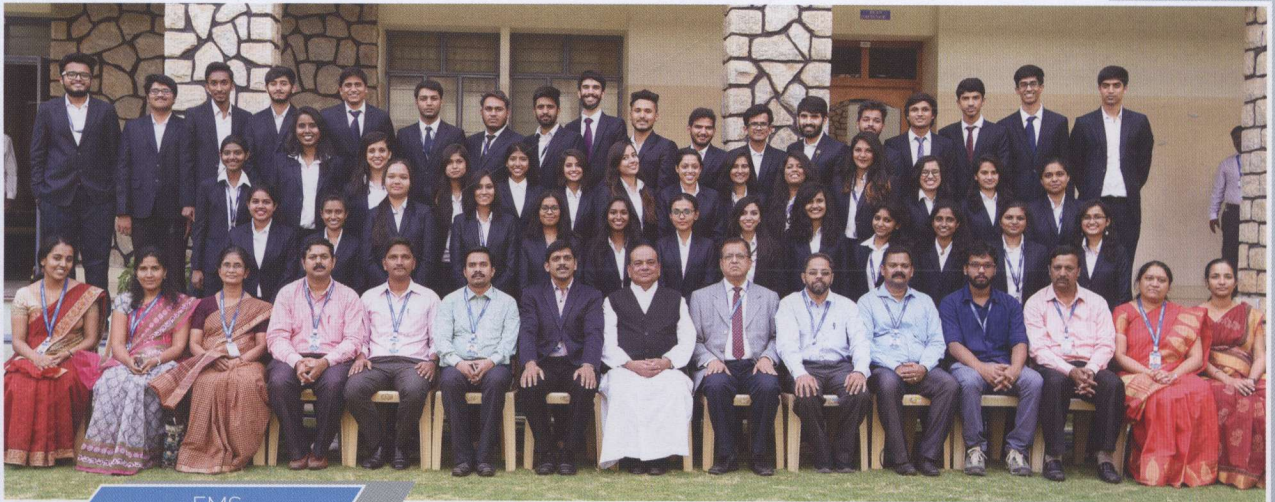
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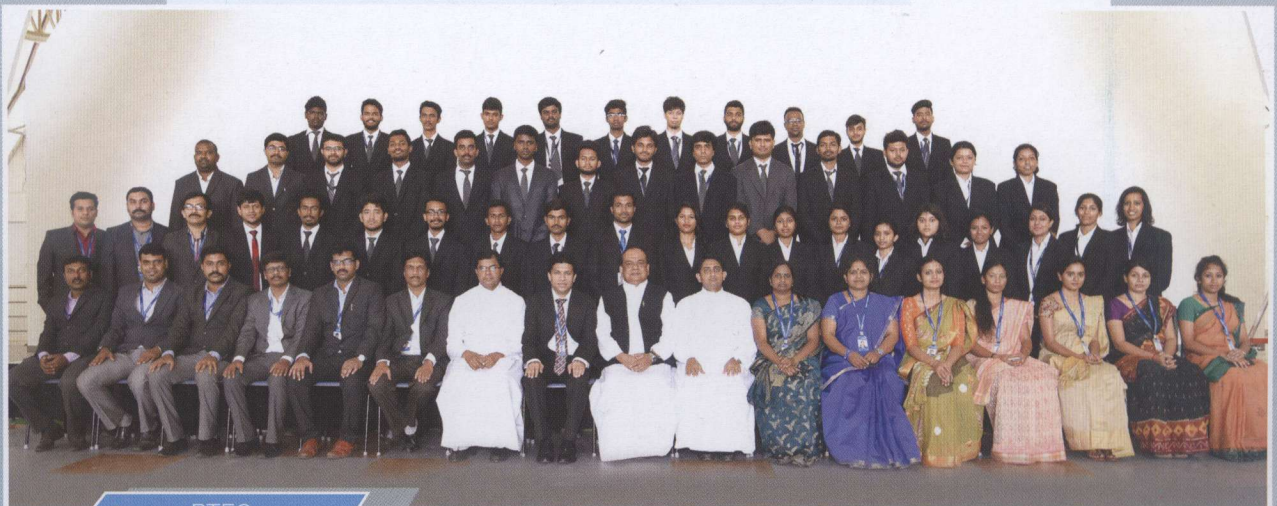
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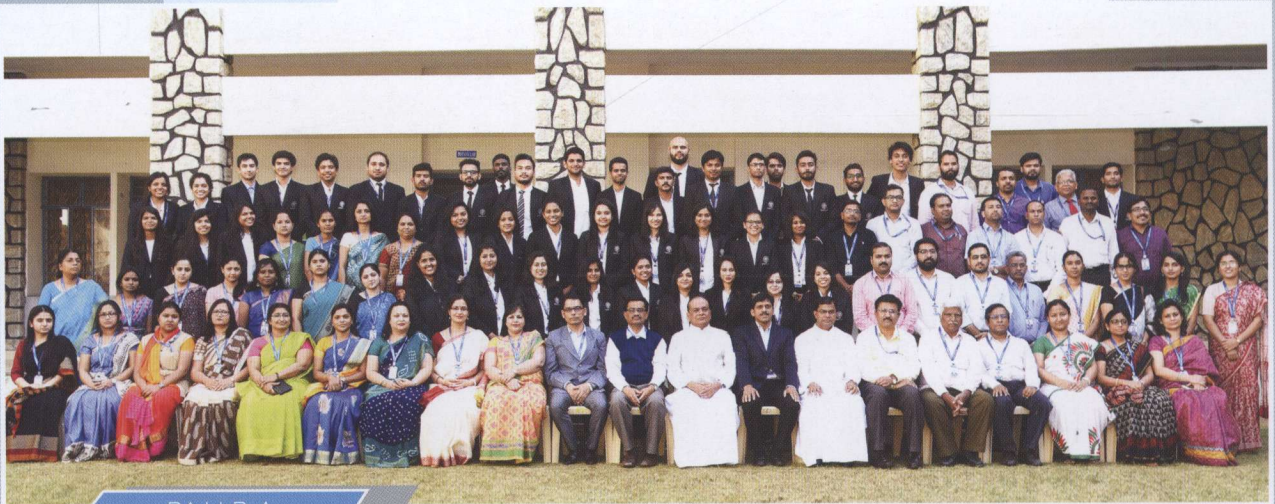
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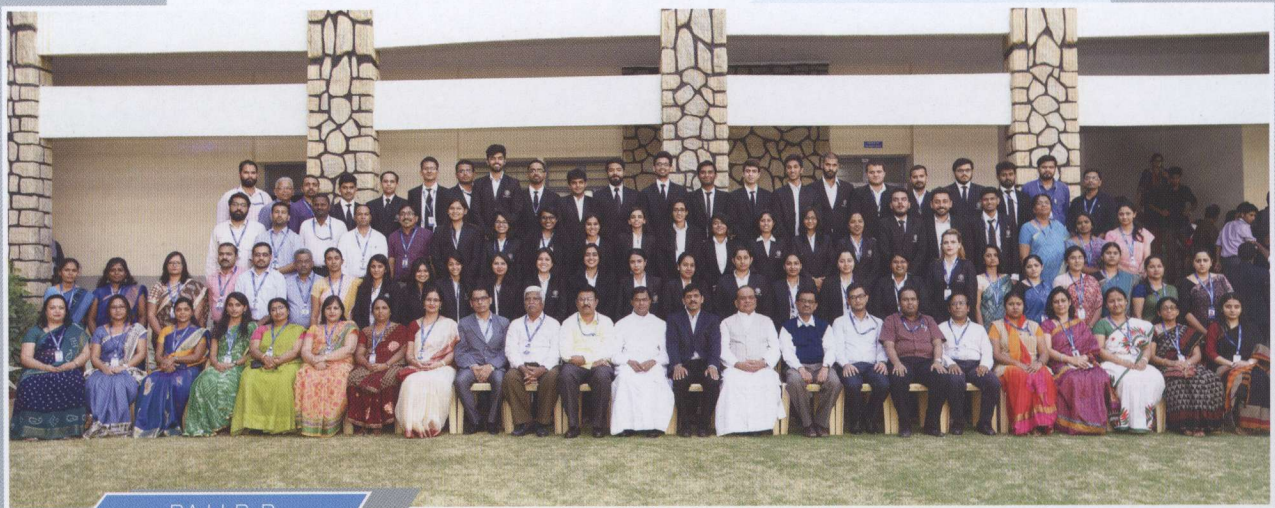
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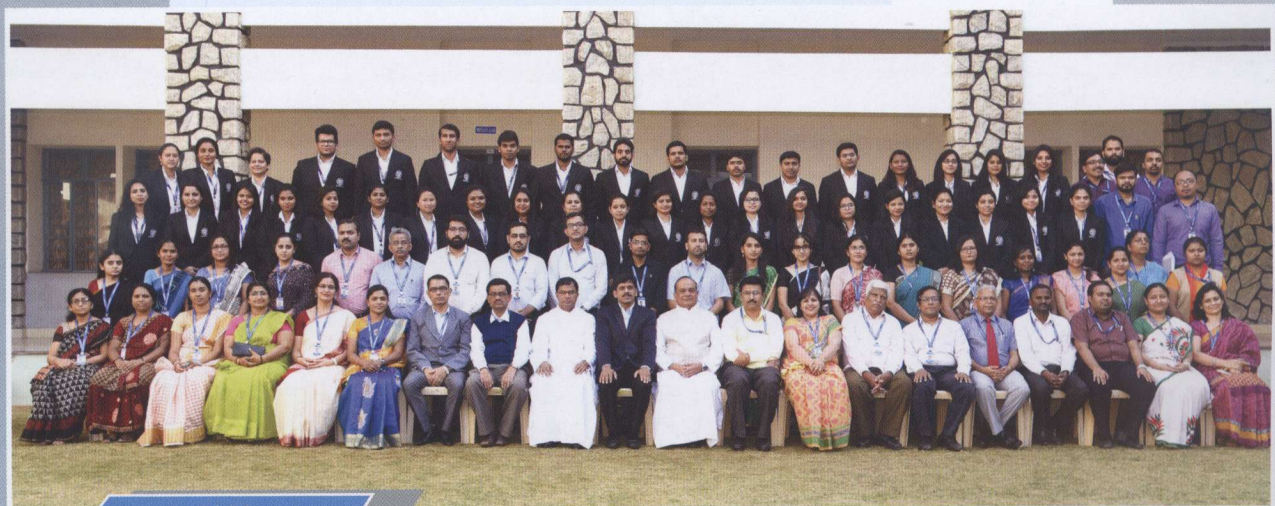
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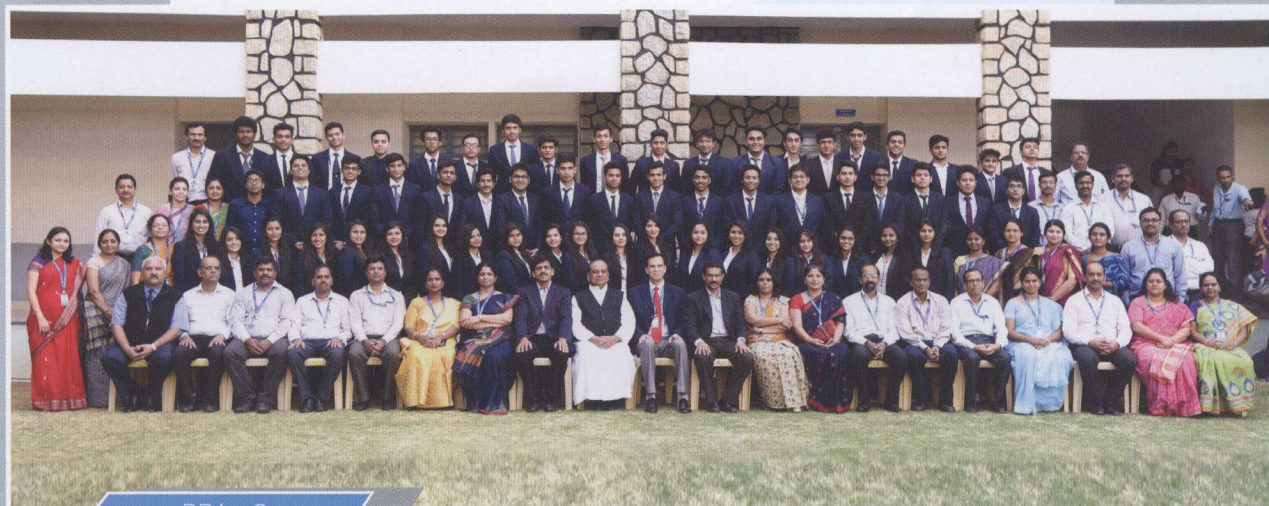
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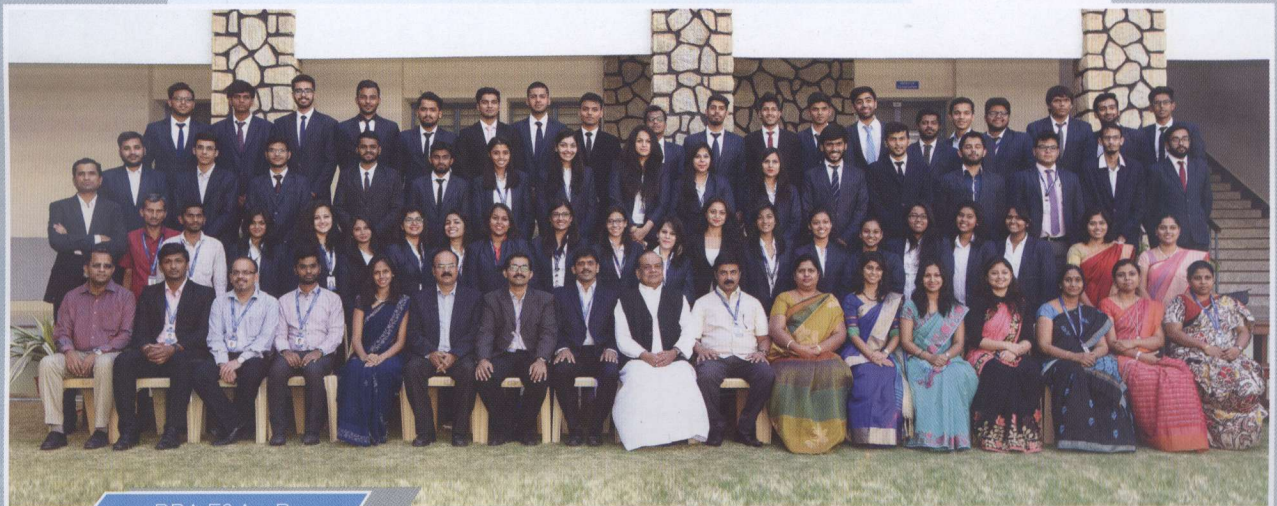
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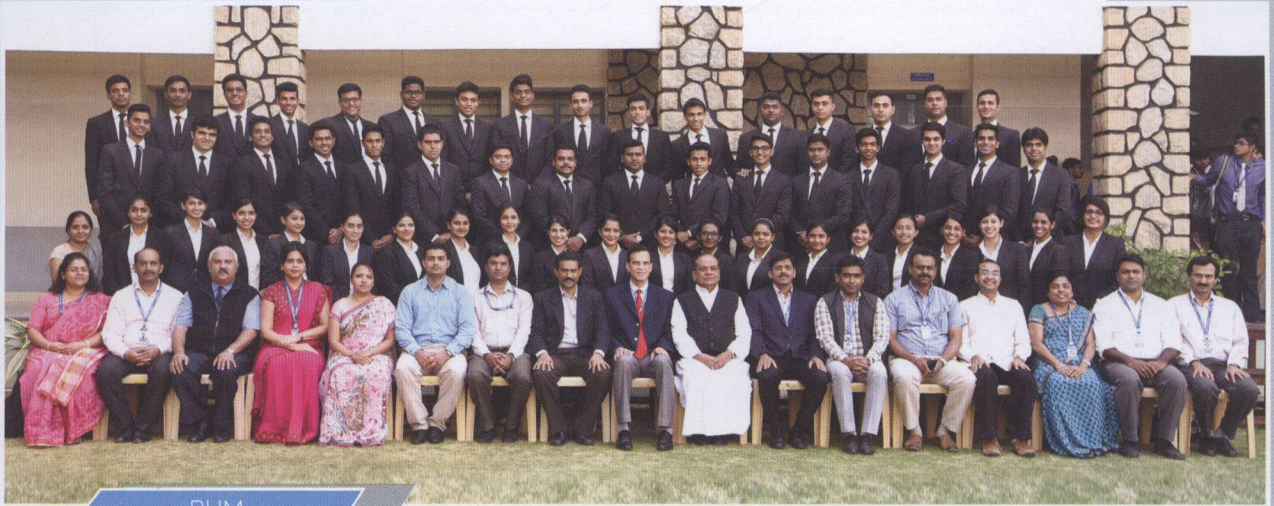
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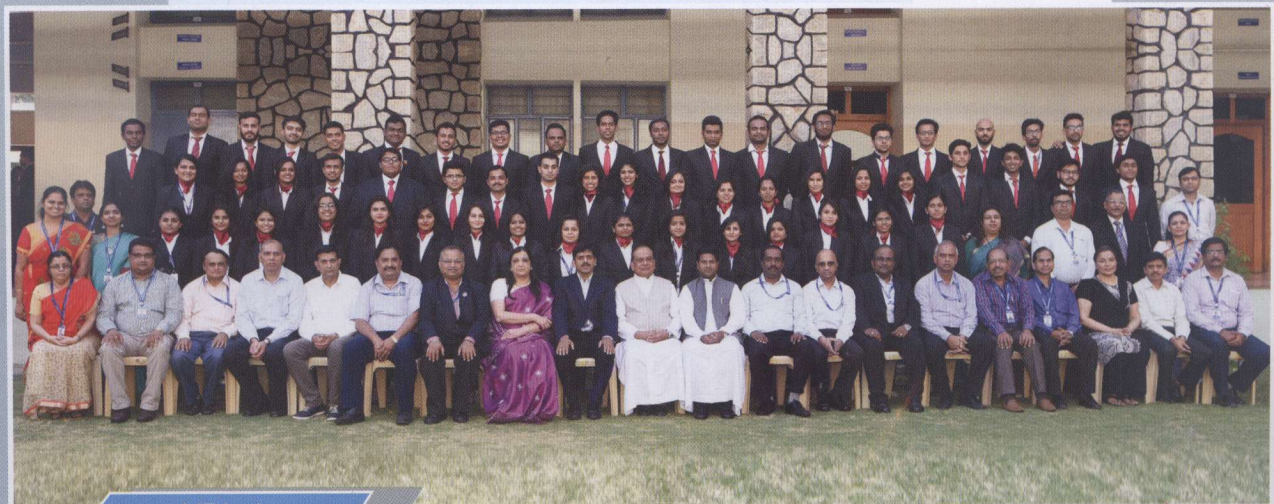
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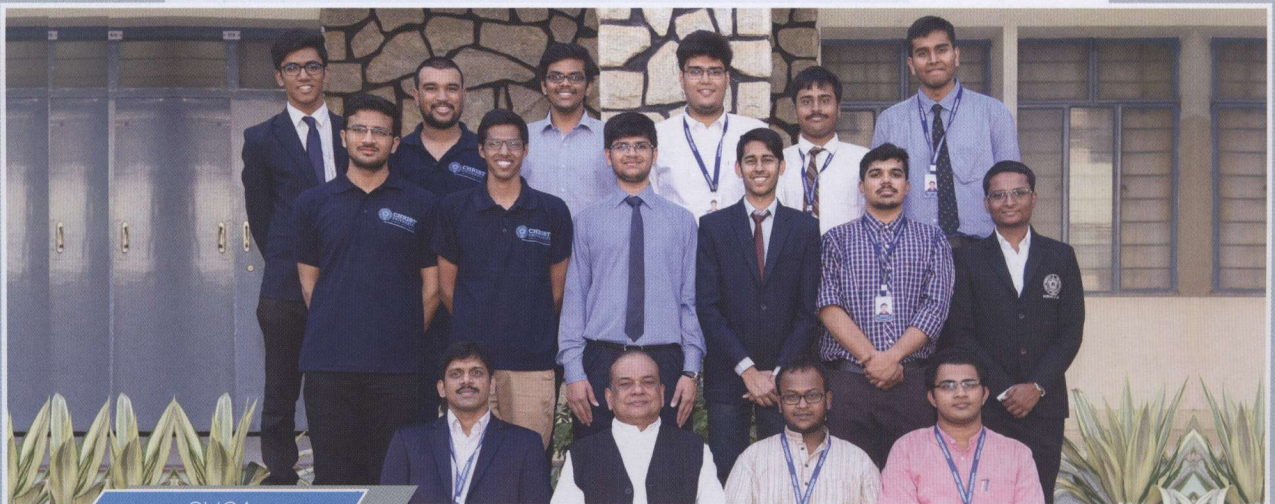
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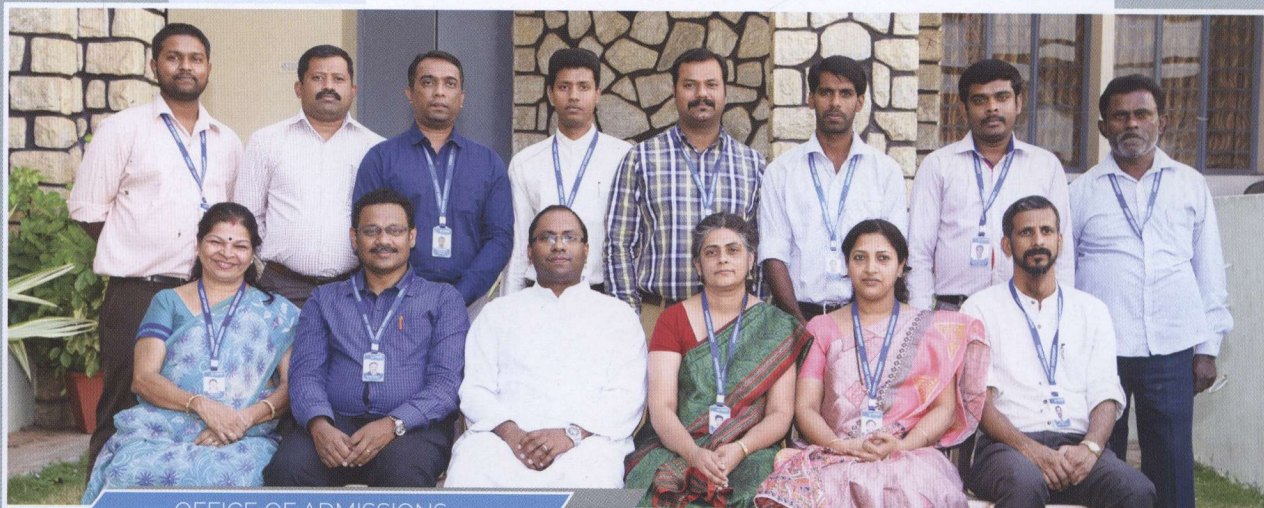
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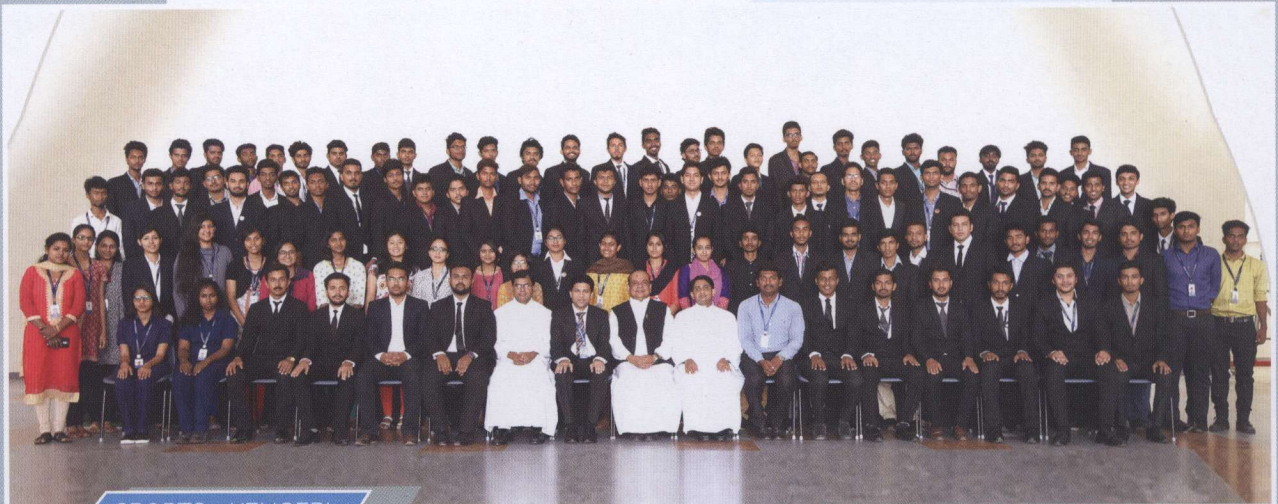
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Afterword

Another eventful year has gone by and there were promises kept and promises made yet again, the double faced God Janus making sure this is how it is! There is no dearth of talent in Christ University, no dearth of opportunities and no dearth of beauty- natural and manmade. The ones who utilise all of these leave with smiles influencing hundred others to follow their path and that is the joy of being in a university. As this vibrant joyful drama unfolds year after year, one can only stand back reminiscing of the same moments long ago attesting to the exuberance of youth and the enchantment of goddess Sophia and completely agreeing with William Wordsworth who wrote- "Bliss was it in that dawn to be alive,

*But to be young was very heaven!--Oh! times,
In which the meagre, stale, forbidding ways
Of custom, law, and statute, took at once
The attraction of a country in romance!*

Looking forward to chronicling more romances of intellect, drive and passion
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Teachings of
St Kuriakose Elias Chavara
(1805-1871)

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
yo 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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