

## Report of the Department of English

The Department of English has been working relentlessly towards the holistic development of the students in specific and for the College in general. In this regard, the department had organized certain events and lectures/talks. The first program organized by the department was “Create Creative” – In-house Lecture series in the month of August, 2023.

The series comprises of the following lectures:

- The first lecture was organized on the topic, “You are what you Eat- Balanced Diet and Healthy Eating Habits” and the resource person was Dr. Marie Kavitha, Head, Department of Home Science. It was organized at 10am, in the Seminar Hall on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023 for I year BCA Generic English students.
- On the same day, 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2023, another lecture was organized in afternoon at the Seminar for I BA Generic English Students on the topic “Digital Media: Relevance and Scope” and the resource person was Ms. Ann Kuruvilla, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science.
- The third lecture was on 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 entitled -“Emotional Regulation – a Therapist’s perspective”. The resource person was Ms. Renie Anthony, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology. The audience was I Year BBA Generic English Students and the programme was held in the Seminar Hall.
- The penultimate lecture in the series was “Recent Trends in Marketing” which was organized in the Seminar Hall. The resource person was Dr. Leena Raymond, Head, Department of Management. It was organized for I year BSc Generic English Students on 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2023.
- The final lecture in the series was by Ms. Sarala Sonia, Head, Department of Chemistry on the topic “Chemistry and Mankind: Unlock the secrets of Chemistry in daily life.” The lecture was held on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023 in the Seminar Hall.





There was a field trip to Dhvanyaloka Centre for Indian Studies, a centre for English Studies and Indigenous Arts, founded by Professor C D Narasimhaiah in 1979 situated in Mysore. The department took 40 students on 11<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2023 on the field trip. The department also utilized



the Shakti Scheme of the State Government for commuting, which was financially beneficial for our students. The objective of the visit was to introduce splendid literary collections which it has been catering to literature aficionados. The students had conversation with Dr. Srinath, the Director, on history of the Centre.



A guest lecture was organized on a robust topic, “On Approaching Literature” with an aim to aid the students’ comprehension about the structure of the subject and elaborate on their cognitive connection while analysing and synthesising the subject. The speaker was Dr. D. Yogananda Rao, Former Associate Professor, Jain (Deemed –To- Be) University. It was organized on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 in the Seminar Hall of College.



The department took students of English Literature to a talk on Nobel Laureate Winner Jon Olav Fosse, a Norwegian playwright, organized by Mysore Education Society. The event was titled “The human condition, the uncertainties and anxieties of everyday life in Fosse’s works,” and the speaker was Dr. H.S. Shiva Prakash, Retd. Professor from The School of Arts and Aesthetics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The event took place on December 8, 2023, at MES ACS College Auditorium, Malleswaram, Bengaluru.



Our college third semester students participated in a one-day workshop titled "Employability Enhancement Skills" on December 20, 2023, at Jain College, Vasavi Campus, V.V. Puram, Bengaluru.



**The department has also contributed to the growth of the College through various achievements and excelling in career advancement.**

Ms. Leena Karanth, Head of the Department, is a Board of Studies (BOS) Member of Bengaluru City University (BCU). She was the Board of Examination (BOE) Member and a Paper setter for II and IV Semester of Bachelor of Travel and Tourism Management, Bengaluru City University (BCU). She was also a Board Of Examination (BOE) Member at Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for Women, Autonomous, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru and a Member of NEP Optional English Textbook Committee, Bengaluru City University (BCU).

Conferred PH.D:



Dr. Rita Josephine Eve, Assistant Professor, was conferred with doctorate degree by Karunya University, Coimbatore, and TamilNadu on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023. Her thesis is titled as “The Impact of Colonization and Metamorphosis in African Society: A Study of the Novels of Chinua Achebe.”

Member BOE: She is a member of Board of Examination (BOE) and a Paper Setter at Bengaluru City University (BCU) for the academic year 2023-2024.

External Examiner: She was invited as an External Examiner for III Semester MSc/M.Com students, Open Elective Paper: Professional Communication, National College, Jayanagar on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Text Book Committee: She is also a Member of NEP Optional English Textbook Committee, Bengaluru City University (BCU).

Resource Person: She was also invited as a Resource person for Intensive English Training Program, at the Student Christian Movement Centre for three days, from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> of July 2024.

Mr. Manoj Jain, Assistant Professor, has been the Member of NEP Additional English and Optional English Textbook Committees, Bengaluru City University (BCU). He was the paper setter at Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for Women, Autonomous, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru for both, Odd and Even semesters. He had also set Generic English, Open Elective and Optional English question papers.

Ms. Treasa Joseph, attended an International Webinar on Theory Studies organized by International Center for Theory Studies (ICTS) on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

Ms. Shweta, attended a Faculty Development Program (FDP) on “Research & Innovation” on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2023 organized by St. Francis College in collaboration with Jyoti Nivas College (Autonomous), Bengaluru.

The faculty members of the department attend to the University work and participate in valuation regularly.