

# **QUEEN MARY'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI -4**

## **DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY**

### **REPORT (2018 - 2019)**

The association meeting of the Department of History was inaugurated on 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 at the Golden Jubilee Hall. Lion D. Thirugnasambandam, Engineer and Social Activist, Chennai inaugurated the association and delivered a speech on “Siragai Viri Sigaram Thodu” wherein he discussed about the importance of women education and empowerment strategies for women. Special address was given by Thiru S. Mani, Superintendent of Police, Principal, Police Training College, Ashok Nagar, Chennai on “Magalir Nirai Kakkum Kappu” wherein he highlighted on cybercrimes and stressed on the importance of the women’s safety measures.

The post-graduates, research students and staff members of the History Department attended the Silver Jubilee Session of Tamil Nadu History Congress during 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 organized by the Department of Indian History, University of Madras, Chennai. The staff members and the research students of the Department presented their research papers in the Congress as well.

The staff and the post-graduate students attended the Sree Narayana Guru Endowment Seminar on “Narayana Guru on Social Justice” given by Prof. Suba Veerapandian, Social Activist during 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019 held in the Department of Indian History, University of Madras, Chennai. The students participated very actively in the All India Industrial and Tourism Trade Fair on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2019.

The staff and the post-graduate students also attended Prof. Karunanandan Buddhist and Dravidian Studies Endowment Seminar on “Dravidian Aspects in the Indus Valley Civilization” given by Prof. Mathivanan, Former Director, Agaramudali Thittam during 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 held in the Department of Indian History, University of Madras, Chennai.

The Department of History has organized a workshop in association with the Department of Social Work, Loyola College, Chennai and a Chennai based NGO - Yuva Active Advocacy Forum during 7<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019 for the post-graduate students and they were trained on the topics of Indian Constitution, Government Mechanisms, Elections and Right to Information Act. Dr. M. Raziya Parvin, Assistant Professor and Head of History

and Mrs. C. Ramalakshmi, Assistant Professor of History were the co-ordinators for this programme.

3 Ph.D students of the Department attended the Research Methodology Workshop conducted by the UGC-HRD Centre, University of Madras during 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2019.

Mrs. C. Ramalakshmi and Mrs. R. Abida Begum presented their research papers in the South Indian History Congress organized by the Osmania University during 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2019. Mrs. R. Karpagam presented her research paper in the Indian History Congress held at Bhopal during 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

5 M.Phil students attended the Workshop entitled “Women’s Writings” organized by the Department of History and English, Quaid-E-Millath Govt. College for Women, Chennai on 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

The Department of History, conducted Parent Teacher Meet on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019. The tutors of the classes met the parents and they were asked to instruct their wards to study well and complete their courses successfully. The tutors discussed about the rules and regulations of the college and highlighted the problems faced by students, relating to attendance, late coming to college, crossing the road and usage of cell phones inside the campus.

The staff and the research students attended the National Seminar on “Cyber Crime: Law and Practice” organized by the Department of History, Political Science and TTM, JBAS College for Women, Chennai on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

Dr. M. Raziya Parvin and Dr. D. Ruckmani served as the Resource Person for International Women’s Day on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 at Institute of Advanced Study in Education, Saidapet and Voorhees College respectively.

International Women’s Day was organised by the Department of History on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019 with the co-ordination of Dr. D. Ruckmani, Assistant Professor, Department of History. Dr. M. Raziya Parvin, HOD of History gave the Introductory Address. Special Address was given by **Prof. Subaveerapandiyam**, Social Activist, Chennai on the topic entitled “Varalattril Pengal”. The programme was well received by the students. The Valedictory function of the Department was held on the same day and the Chief Guest distributed the prizes to the winners of various competitions conducted by the Department.