

QUEEN MARY'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI -4

PG & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

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The Department of History was established in the year 1916 and from its inception, the department has been offering under Graduate Programme. Post Graduate degree was introduced in the year 1973. M.Phil programme was introduced in 1993, since then the department is carrying out research and the thrust areas are: Indian History, Women Studies, Social, Cultural and Political History of Tamil Nadu. In 2012, the department was upgraded with the introduction of Ph.D Degree (FT and PT) research programme.

The Department of History conducted the “History” association inauguration on 29th January, 2018 at the Golden Jubilee Hall. Dr. S. Karuppaiah, Rtd Professor, Archaeological Survey of India, Chennai inaugurated the association and delivered a speech on “*Recent Trends in Archaeology and Epigraphy*” wherein he discussed about the importance of Archaeology and Epigraphy.

The students of History Department participated in the programmes held in other city Colleges, Vaishnava College and Loyola College. 12 students from our department participated in the Madras Day celebrations held at Vaishnava College on 22nd August, 2017 and 12 students participated in the Inter-Collegiate competitions held at Loyola College on 14th December, 2017 and won the First Prize in Essay competition and the Second Prize in Face Painting competition.

During the month of October 2017 the students were taken by the staff members to the University of Madras for attending Narayana Guru Endowment Seminar and the National Seminar on Quit India Movement during January 2018. 10 students participated in the Project Display in the Trade Fair organised by the Department of Higher Education, Tamil Nadu during the month of January 2018. They displayed regarding the performing arts of Tamil Nadu and presented the Silambam show as well, which was well received by the public. The visually challenged students of our Department participated in the International Judo Competitions and won prizes.

The staff from the Department of History participated and presented papers in the Conferences held at the State, National and International levels. *Dr. M. Raziya Parvin* and *Dr. S. Kamala Devi* presented papers in the International Seminar organised by the Department of Economics, Queen Mary's College, Chennai on 13th to 15th September, 2017. *Dr. M. Raziya Parvin*, HOD – Department of History acted as the *Resource Person* and gave a Special Address in the National Seminar on “Tipu Sultan – The Pioneer of Modern India” held at PG & Research Department of Historical Studies, Abdul Hakeem College, Melvisharam, Vellore on 11th January,

2018. **Dr. M. Raziya Parvin, Mrs. K. Suja** and **Dr. D. Rukmani** also presented papers in the National Seminar on “Quit India Movement” held at University of Madras, Chennai on 4th and 5th January, 2018. 6 staff members participated in the workshop organised by IQAC of our College on 5th & 6th January, 2018. **Dr. M. Raziya Parvin** served as the Ph.D. External Examiner in Abdul Hakeem College, Melvisharam, served as the Member – Board of Studies (History), University of Madras (IDE), Chennai and also served as the **Member for Academic Audit** held in the Department of History, Vivekananda College, Chennai. **Dr. M. Raziya Parvin** has been serving as the **Editor** of the Tamil Nadu History Congress Proceedings since 2015.

The Department of History conducted Parent Teacher Meet on 17th February 2018. 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 students of History Department participated in the Industrial visit twice to Barclays Bank, Porur in order to educate them regarding the importance of the Banking and Corporate sector. 4 students participated during the first visit on 29th August, 2017 and 12 students during the second visit on 27th February, 2018. **Mrs. C. Ramalakshmi**, Assistant Professor, Department of History accompanied the students. The students were given orientation regarding the employability skills. The visually challenged students went to Loyola College and participated in the competitions. Vijayashanthi, of I M.A History won the first prize. 5 students attended the Seminar on “Tourism” held at Ethiraj College for Women, Chennai during September 2017.

The Oratorical competition was organized in the department in commemoration of the World UNO Day entitled “**The Role of Tourism in International Level**” and the students participated enthusiastically in the competition and won the prizes. The Essay Competition on “**Abdul Kalam**” was also conducted and the students participated in the same as well. International Women’s Day was organised by the Department of History on 12th March 2018 in association with the National Consumer Rights and Protection Movement, Tamil Nadu. Dr. S. Santhi, Principal inaugurated the function and gave the Welcome Address. Dr. M. Raziya Parvin, HOD of History gave the Introductory Address. Special Address was given by **Justice A. R. Selvakumar** (State Human Rights Commission) Chennai. The programme was well received by the students and they became acquainted with the concept of Women Empowerment and various legislations towards the protection of women. The Valedictory function of the Department was held on the same day as well.
