## QUEEN MARY'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI -4 DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY REPORT (2019 - 2020)

The association meeting of the Department of History was inaugurated on 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 at Room No. 22 of the Golden Jubilee Block. Dr. M. Ravichandran, Principal and Course Director, All India Civil Services Coaching Centre, R.A. Puram, Chennai inaugurated the association and delivered a speech on *"History makes Students as top Civil Servants"* wherein he discussed about the importance of civil services and motivated the students to become the responsible citizens of the society. He gave an overview of strategies to be followed to prepare and how to crack the Civil Service Examinations. The programme was well received by the students.

The post-graduates, research students and staff members of the History Department attended the National Education Policy, 2019 Convention in the University of Madras, Chennai on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 which was organized by the Department of Political Science and Public Administration and All India Save Education Committee (AISEC).

The Department of History organized the *Inter-Departmental Essay (Namma Chennai)* and *Quiz Competition (History and Culture of Chennai)* on account of 380<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Madras Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2019. The students from seven departments participated in the same. The Essay competition was won by Home Science, History and Chemistry departments and, the Quiz competition was won by Bio-Chemistry, History and Economics departments respectively with first, second and third prizes.

The post-graduates, research students and staff members of the History Department attended the IQAC Seminar organized by the New College, Chennai on 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2019.

The research students and staff members of the History Department attended the 26<sup>th</sup> Session of Tamil Nadu History Congress during 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 organized by the Department of History, GTN Arts College, Dindigul. The staff members and the research students of the Department presented their research papers in the Congress as well. The Department of History organized the *Inter-Collegiate Quiz Competition* on "Life, Career and Contributions of Gandhi" commemorating 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2019. The students from nine city College participated in the same. The winner of the Competition is Loyola College followed by Stella Maris College and Ethiraj College. All the participants were given with the certificates.

Ms. M. Muthulakshmi of III B.A.History (TM) won the silver medal in the 29<sup>th</sup> Commonwealth Judo Championship (for differently abled) held during 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2019. She also won the second place in the 8<sup>th</sup> National Blind Judo Championship held at Hyderabad during 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.

The staff and the research students attended the Seminar on "Tourism and Employability" organized by A.M. Jain College, Chennai on 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2019. The students of History Department participated very actively in the All India Industrial and Tourism Trade Fair on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.

The Department of History, conducted Parent Teacher Meet on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020. 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 International Conference on "Islamic Traditions and Practices in South India" organized by the Department of Historical Studies, The New College, Chennai on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2020.

The Valedictory function of the Department was held in the Department and prizes were distributed to the winners of various competitions conducted by the Department.

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