

## **QUEEN MARY'S COLLEGE (A)**

### **DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY**

#### **GEOGRAPHY ASSOCIATION – ANNUAL REPORT 2019-2020**

Geography Association for the academic year 2019-2020 was inaugurated on 27.8.2019. The Chief guest for the function was Dr. Allen Selvakumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Criminology, University of Madras Chennai -5. He addressed the students on the topic "Awareness on crime against women and safety measures".

The association members were elected by the final year students. Two secretaries one for PG and one for UG were elected respectively. Committees for Discipline, Cleanliness, Culture, Finance and Information each bearing four members were formed. Students were assigned duties accordingly.

Committee members monitored the general cleanliness of the class rooms and their surroundings, identified latecomers of each class, checked students using mobile phones during class hours and volunteered other common work for the department. Information committee took in charge of Notice Board. Each class was allotted one-week time to display facts and GK related information. Students came out with wonderful ideas and had a tough competition in exhibiting their knowledge. This activity was announced as a competition among the classes.

World Tourism Day (TOUREX 2019) and Silver Jubilee Celebration for Geography Travel and Tourism Management (GTTM) course together was celebrated for three consecutive days (25.09.19 to 27.09.2019) with the theme "Tourism and Jobs- a better future for all" assigned by UNWTO. Celebrations started by conducting, Inter department Quiz on 29.8.2019 as the first event. It was followed by Inter collegiate Seminar on the above said theme on 04.09.2019, Dr. Dr. J. Eugene, Lecturer-cum-Instructor IHM Tharamani, and Mrs. A.M. Sukanya, Co-founder and Proprietrix, Airpro tours were invited as subject experts for the seminar. Students from various city college actively presented paper. Off-stage events like Rangoli, Essay and poster painting competitions were held within intra-class.

Each class displayed models related to the Tourism potential resources available in a selected state in India on all the three days. The Chief Guest Kalaimani. Thiru. V.K.T. Balan, Managing Director, Madura Travels Pvt. Ltd Chennai and Mr. K. Ravikumar, Additional General Manager, IRCTC, Chetpet, inaugurated the exhibition stalls on 25.09. 2019. The exhibition stalls were judged by the Chief Guests for their costumes, models, charts and overall presentation. The second day students went on a rally within the college campus carrying placards showing the themes of UNWTO for each year. DCP Mr. Krishna Murthy, Mylapore headed the rally and addressed the students about women safety. This was followed by Career Guidance by two eminent speakers Mr. K. Promodh, consultant Hospitality Services, Chennai and Bangalore and Mr. Surya Kumar Trainer, Man power Academy Chennai. The days programme came to an end with colourful and energetic Cultural programme by our students. On the valediction day District Governor, PMJF. Lion K. Jeganathan, and Mr. Yogi Sekar, Playback Singer, distributed the prizes for the winners of all the above events. We register our sincere gratitude to Arkay Nagar Lions Club who sponsors cash prizes every year.

In the event of World Tourism Day, TTDC with the collaboration of Ministry of Tourism Tamil Nadu conducted rally, essay and poster competition for our students in which students excelled in their performance.

The Geography Association celebrated the Saraswathy pooja on 04.10.2019 in the department with full divine perspective. The Association conducted department cultural events in December 2019. Off-stage events covered Mehandhi, Junk Art, Vegetable carving and face-painting on 12.12.2019. Solo Dance, Duet dance, group dance, solo music and group song are the on-stage events covered on 13.12.2019. Student's talent and their enthusiast participation were appreciated by the judges. Solar Pre-workshop on solar eclipse, was conducted by the Department on 18.12.2019. 60 students and 20 faculties from various colleges in the city were participated in the workshop. The chief guest Dr. Mr. R. Venkatesan, IGARC Scientist, Indra Gandhi Atomic Research Centre briefed about solar eclipse, its importance in observing the celestial objects and safe observation methods. On 08.01.2020 One day workshop for students were conducted on the topic of "SPSS Application for Data Analysis in Social Sciences by the Department. Dr. Mr. K. Prabhakar, Head of the Research Initiatives Centre for Social Initiative Management (CSIM). Resource person delivered the essentials of research methodology and usage of SPSS in software in down to earth methods for students. 70 students attended from various department of our college for the programme. The association actively participated in the Pongal celebration conducted in the college on 10.01.2020 and won second prize.

Educational Tour, a mandatory for Tourism students, is arranged in the department every year. This year the tour was arranged in two batches in January 2020. One batch covered Gujarat and Rajasthan while the other went to Delhi, Haridwar, Amritsar and Wagah Border.

Our final year UG and PG students participated in State level 10<sup>th</sup> Young Geographer Talent test Conducted by Indian Geographical Society on 22.01.2020 in our Department.

Valedictory of the Association was held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020. Chief Guest Dr. Mr. S. R.Ramanan former Director, IMD Chennai distributed prizes for the Association members, Class representatives and the prize winners of the Department cultural. The Tutors of classes who excelled in Display activity and Nil latecomers were honoured by Chief Guest. He briefed about the subject climatology and shared his expertise knowledge in weather forecasting and the cumulative steps involved from data collection, computer models and dissemination of forecast to all sectors of the society.



















**Retired Teaching Faculty**

**2018**



31.05.2019  
Dr. Mrs. R. Bhavani,  
Associate Professor,  
Department of Geography

**Ph.D Completed**

**2016**



15.12.2016  
Dr. Ms. R. Muguntha,  
Department of Geography

**2017**



11.09.2017  
Dr. Ms. S. Mageswari  
Department of Geography

**2019**



11.04.2019  
Dr. Mrs. J. P. Joy Ruby Violet  
Department of Geography



03.10.2019  
Dr. Mrs. H. Hamsaveni  
Department of Geography



10.10.2019  
Dr. Mrs. Y. Vijayalakshmi Priya  
Department of Geography

**2020**



12.02.2020  
Dr. Mr. Yuvaraj  
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04.03.2020  
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**SPACE Pollution**

**S** Space Junk i.e., debris from space missions, usually comprising damaged or ejected material from space craft pollutes the space.

**P** Planetary Nebula(Present Sun), an aging red giant star blows its outer layer of gas into space. As its core dims and cools, the star first becomes a white dwarf (when the Sun stops shining).

**A** Asteroid collision often takes place in the area between Mars and Jupiter. Jupiter's gravitational pull can send Asteroids into erratic orbits, causing them to collide with Planets and other Asteroids.

**C** Collision of Stars. Stars may explode and collided into Supernovas.

**E** Explosion of Nebulae and Stars. Stars are created from clouds of gas and dust called Nebulae. Regions of higher density inside the Nebulae collapse under the action of gravity to form proto star.

**SO PLEASE THINK SPATIALLY AND ACT GLOBALLY!**