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From the Principal's Desk....

Dear Faculty, Staff, Students, Alumni, and Well-Wishers... Greetings!

we embark on another enlightening journey through the corridors of education, it fills me with immense pride and joy to extend my warmest greetings to each member of our esteemed Xaverian family. With 74 years of unwavering commitment to educational excellence, we stand as a beacon of light in the realm of teacher education. Our motto, "Go and Teach all Nations," resonates not just within the walls of our institution but reaches far beyond, shaping minds and molding futures. The academic year 2023-2024 has been a testament to our dedication and passion for nurturing the next generation of educators. From fostering student and staff welfare to fostering a culture of innovation and excellence, our journey has been marked by a plethora of enriching activities and initiatives. We have embraced diversity through faculty and student exchange programs, broadening our horizons and enriching our perspectives. Academic meetings, evaluations, and in-house researches have fueled our quest for knowledge, ensuring that we remain at the forefront of educational advancements. Moreover, our cultural and sports activities have instilled values of teamwork, perseverance, and sportsmanship among our students. As we look ahead to our 75th year celebration next year, let us pause to reflect on our journey so far and the milestones we have achieved together. Let this momentous occasion be a testament to our dedication, and our unwavering commitment to excellence. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each member of our St. Xavier's College of Education community for their tireless efforts and unwavering support. Together, let us continue to illuminate minds, inspire hearts, and shape the future of education.



New Office Bearers

Dr. M. Antony Raj

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to Dr. M. Antony Raj for his exemplary service as the Director of the Fr. Bonhoure Centre for Research and Publications at St. Xavier's College of Education from 2018 to 2023. We appreciate his commendable commitment and objectivity in publishing articles, in our Care Listed journal, 'Research and Reflections on Education.' Furthermore, as he assumes the esteemed role of Controller of Examination from 01st August 2023, we extend our warmest wishes and heartfelt congratulations to him in this new endeavor.



Dr. A. Punitha Mary

We would like to thank Dr. A Punitha Mary for her dedicated service as the Dean of St. Xavier's College

of Education from 2018 to 2023. Her five years of dedicated service as the Dean of our institution, especially for her tireless efforts in preparing the SSR report and AQAR for the NAAC accreditation process, are highly appreciated. As she has assumed the new office as the Director of Fr Bonhoure Centre for Research and Publications, we are excited for the fresh perspectives and insights in research endeavors.



Dr. A. Michael J Leo

I am delighted to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Dr. A. Michael J Leo for his dedicated and exemplary service as the Controller of Examination at St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai from 2021



to 2023. His unwavering commitment to ensuring the smooth and fair conduct of examinations has greatly contributed to the academic excellence and integrity of our institution. Furthermore, we congratulate Dr. A. Michael J Leo on his new role as Dean and IQAC Coordinator, starting on 01st August 2023. We look forward the positive impact of his new endeavors.

Mrs. A. Metilda Jasmine Shanthi

We appreciate and thank the service of Mrs. A. Metilda Jasmine Shanthi, Assistant Professor of Mathematics as Vice Principal of our college from 2020-2023. Her tireless efforts in administering the office were wonderful, and now she is appointed as the Coordinator of Career Guidance and Placement Cell (CGPC) from the academic year 2023-2024.



Dr. S. Sherlin

Thanks to Dr. S. Sherlin, Assistant Professor of Physical Science, who served as the Coordinator of CGPC during the year 2022-2023. And we congratulate him for assuming the office of Vice Principal from the academic year 2023-2024 for a period of three years.



New Principal i/c

On March 5th, 2024, Dr. M. Antony Raj, Associate Professor in History, assumed the role as the new Principal i/c of St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, a prestigious institution with a legacy of spanning 74 years. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome SJ, Rector of St. Xavier's Institutions, announced this appointment to the staff and students in the presence of Secretary Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayyar SJ and Principal Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ on 04th March 2024. Fr. Rector acknowledged the invaluable contributions of Fr. Principal and honoured him with a shawl; also extended his best wishes to the incoming Principal i/c and Fr. Secretary honoured him with a shawl.



Thanking the Retiring Principal

Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ commenced his journey at the college in 2000 as an Assistant Professor, demonstrating unwavering commitment to both the institution and the community. His tenure saw him assuming the role of Principal in-charge in 2007, followed by his official appointment as Principal in 2010. After 23 years of



dedicated service, he concluded his tenure and retired this year. Under his stewardship, St. Xavier's College of Education has thrived, emerging as a distinguished institution of academic brilliance. His visionary guidance has navigated the college through various trials and triumphs, always with a steadfast commitment to the advancement of students and the institution at large. His unwavering dedication to education has been truly inspiring. Driven by a fervent desire to cultivate young minds and foster an enriching learning environment, he has left an indelible impression on the countless students who have passed through these halls. His steadfast support for the professional growth of faculty members has significantly elevated the educational standards of our college. Through a myriad of training initiatives and workshops, he has empowered our educators to excel in their roles. His genuine concern for the welfare of our students has not gone unnoticed. Continuously advocating for their needs, he has ensured that they receive the necessary resources and support for both academic and personal development. His endeavors to strengthen the bond between the college and the wider community have been mutually enriching. Whether through community outreach programs, collaborative ventures, or cultural exchanges, he has forged enduring connections that have enhanced the college's impact. His unwavering dedication, integrity, and passion for education have set a high standard for us all to uphold. In recognition of his exceptional service and leadership, we, comprising the management, teaching and non-teaching staff and students, extend our heartfelt gratitude and best wishes for a fulfilling retirement. While his presence will be sorely missed, his legacy will endure as a beacon of inspiration for years to come.

Award of Ph.D.

Mr. R. Balasubramanian, Assistant Professor in Education of our college, defended his Ph.D. thesis on 29th September 2023 and awarded Doctoral Degree in Education by Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai. He was congratulated in the staff meeting held on 03rd October 2023.



Criterion I: Curricular Aspects

S. No.	Committee	Date
1.	IQAC	07 th September 2023 & 20 th May 2024
2.	Research Cell	12 th September 2023 & 15 th May 2024
3.	Planning & Evaluation Committee	10 th July 2023
4.	Anti-Ragging Committee	11 th September 2023

5.	Library Committee	12 th September 2023 & 17 th May 2024
6.	Students Welfare Committee	13 th September 2023
7.	Extension Services Committee	14 th September 2023
8.	Women Empowerment Cell	15 th September 2023
9.	Governing Body	22 nd November 2023
10.	Magazine Committee	11 th January 2024
11.	Board of Studies	31 st January 2024 & 29 th April 2024
12.	Disciplinary Committee	22 nd April 2024
13.	Academic Council	07 th February 2024 & 22 nd May 2024
14.	Students Appeals and Grievances Cell	15 th May 2024
15.	Career Guidance and Placement Cell	16 th May 2024
16.	Equal Opportunity Cell	16 th May 2024
17.	College Website & ERP Committee	21 st May 2024

Academic Year Inauguration 2023-2024

The academic year 2023-2024 began on 26th June 2023 with the II-year B.Ed. Students. For the I Year B.Ed. students, the inaugural ceremony of the new academic year 2023-2024 was held on 10th July 2023. Rev.



Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., Rector of St. Xavier's Institutions, delivered the inaugural address, and Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., Principal, briefed about the college. The second-year prospective teachers welcomed the I year students with the wishes of friendship and love.

Valedictory of 1st Batch Modern Theatre Arts

The valedictory function for the Certificate Programme in Modern Theatre Arts for the academic year 2022-2023 (1st Batch) was held on 05th June 2023 at 11.30

a.m. in the Mother Teresa Hall.



Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., the Rector, presided over the function and distributed the certificates to the successfully completed 16 candidates. Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar, S.J., the Secretary of the college, felicitated, and Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., the Principal blessed the candidates.

Student Induction Programmes (SIP) for I B.Ed. Students (2023-2024)

The first year B. Ed students of 2023-2025 batch have undergone the Students Induction Programme (SIP) in four phases from 16th to 21st August 2023 in the Mother Theresa Hall of College. The programme is explained as follows

SIP: Phase I (16th August 2023)

Topic	Resource Person
Code of Conduct	Rev. Dr. D. Thomas
Add-on Diploma & Certificate Programmes	Alexander, S.J., Principal, SXCE
Academic matters	Dr. A. Michael J Leo, Dean & IQAC Coordinator, SXCE
Entry Behaviour Test	
Introduction to SWAYAM	
The Career Guidance and Placement Cell (CGPC)	Mrs. A. Metilda Jasmine Shanthi, Coordinator of CGPC, SXCE

SIP: Phase II (17th August 2023)

Topic	Resource Person
Elective Courses	Dr. A. Punitha Mary Director, Bonhoure Centre for Research & Publications
Mother Theresa Evening Study Centre (MOTESC)	Dr. Y. Daniel Coordinator of Extension Services
Library functionalities	Dr. T. Raja, the Librarian
Vocational Education Nai Talim Experiential Learning (VENTEL)	Dr. Y. Daniel Dr. R. Sathesh Franklin Dr. S. Sherlin Dr. U. Subramanian, the Coordinators
NSS & SWACHH	Dr. R. Sathesh Franklin, NSS Coordinator

SIP: Phase III (18th August 2023)

Personality and Professional Orientation programme was organized for the prospective teachers in the Third Phase of SIP on various domains as follows.

Topic	Name of the Faculty
Self-awareness	Dr. R. Balasubramanian, Assistant Professor in Education
Know Your Personality	Mrs. M. Rosary Kiruba Alexy, Assistant Professor in Physical Science
Self-esteem	Rev. Fr. A. Loyola, S.J., Assistant Professor in Education
Developing Positive Attitude	Dr. A. Punitha Mary, Assistant Professor of Education

SIP: Phase IV (21st August 2023)

Team Work	Mrs. A. Metilda Jasmine Shanthi, Assistant Professor in Mathematics
Time	Dr. Y. Daniel,

Management	Assistant Professor in Biological Science
Effective Communication	Dr. A. John Lawrence, Associate Professor in English
Self-confidence	Dr. A. Nicholas Jegan, Assistant Professor in Computer Science
ஆளுமையும் அழகுத் தமிழும்	Dr. U. Subramanian, Assistant Professor in Tamil

SIP Phase V

The fifth phase of the Students Induction Programme (SIP) for second-year B.Ed. students was conducted on 10th January 2024 at the Mother Teresa Hall. The session focused on understanding Programme Learning Objectives (PLOs) and Course Learning Objectives (CLOs) and was led by Dr. A. Michael J Leo, the Dean and IQAC Coordinator of the college. Dr. Leo commenced the session by emphasizing the importance of clearly defining and understanding learning objectives in the educational process. He elucidated on the significance of Programme Learning Objectives, which outline the overarching goals and outcomes of the entire B.Ed. programme, providing a framework for student learning and assessment. The session concluded with a question-and-answer segment, where students had the opportunity to seek clarification on any aspects related to learning objectives.

Value-Added Courses

Yoga for Human Excellence

Value-added course on 'Yoga for Human Excellence' was offered by our college to I Year B.Ed students from 23rd to 25th August 2023. The resource person was Dr. Jeyashri Siva, Yoga Instructor and Physiotherapist, SAFI Physio Care for Women and Children, Tirunelveli. She demonstrated the warm-up exercises, Suryanamaskar, all types of asanas and pranayama along with students. Fr. Principal presented the valedictory address and distributed the certificates.



Hindi & Photography

Value-added course on 'Hindi & Photography' was offered by our college to II Year B.Ed students from 07th February to 02nd May 2024. The resource persons were Mrs. S. Thangam and Mr. V. Bernardshaw.

Aari Work

Value-added course on 'Aari Work' was offered by our college to II Year B.Ed students from 07th February to 08th May 2024. The resource persons were Ms. A. Jebrin Rithi and Ms. A. Santha Axseliya.

Programmes on Montessori Training and Modern Theatre Arts

A Diploma Programme on Montessori Training and a Certificate Programme on Modern Theatre Arts are being offered in collaboration with the Institute for Entrepreneurship and Career Development (IECD) of Bharathidasan University, Trichy, for the academic year 2023-2024. The certification will be provided by Bharathidasan University, Trichy. This year, 2023-2024, so far, we have admitted 10 students in Montessori Training and 17 students in Modern Theatre Arts. The classes have started for the above courses.



Staff Council Meetings

The staff council of our college plays a significant role in planning, executing and providing feedback on the activities. The Staff Council of our college has come together nine times in this academic year 2023-2024 to discuss the monthly planning and activities. The details of staff council meeting are given below

Sl. No.	Date	Time
1	26 th June 2023	02.045 p.m.
2	19 th July 2023	11.30 a.m.
3	03 rd August 2023	11.00 a.m.
4	04 th September 2023	02.30 p.m.
5	03 rd October 2023	03.00 p.m.
6	27 th November 2023	03.45 p.m.
7	10 th January 2024	03.45 p.m.
8	09 th February 2024	03.45 p.m.
9	20 th March 2024	03.45 p.m.
10	30 th April 2024	03.45 p.m.

Criterion II: Teaching-Learning and Evaluation

Preparation for Internship

The II B.Ed. students are expected to prepare for intensive teaching practice for a period of four months. In order to prepare them professionally, the following activities were done.

S. No.	Date	Events
1	27 th & 28 th June 2023	Orientation on Records
2	20 th July 2023	Science Experiment for II B.Ed.
3	20 th July 2023	Academic Orientation for I M.Ed.

4	24 th & 25 th July 2023	Preparation for Internship: Peer Teaching Pedagogy I & II
5	28 th July 2023	Orientation on Internship

Intensive Teaching Practice 2023-2024

After a month of orientation and preparation on records, teaching aids, and lesson plan writing, the II Year B Ed students have gone for intensive teaching practice in thirty different schools in and around Tirunelveli District, from 01st August to 30th November 2023.



Visiting of School Internship

As the Second Year B. Ed students have gone for intensive teaching practice from August 2023 to different schools, the teacher educators of our college visited the respected schools on 25th August, 12th & 27th October and 17th November 2023 and observed their teaching in terms of various components given in the feedback form. Moreover, the teacher educator verified the attendance of the trainee teacher, the utilization of teaching-learning materials, and the records. The feedback forms are submitted to the Office of the Dean for further action and documentation.



Preparation for Teaching Practice

Becoming a teacher needs continuous academic practices at multi-levels, and our students are trained in such levels namely by Micro Teaching, Demonstration Teaching, Peer Teaching, and Preliminary Teaching Practice.



Sl.	Name of the Activity	Dates	Batch
1.	Micro Teaching Practice	16 th to 26 th Oct.2023	I B.Ed. 2023-24
2.	Lesson Plan Preparation	30 th & 31 st Oct. 2023	
3.	Macro Teaching Demonstration	01 st & 02 nd Nov. 2023	
4.	Peer Teaching Practice	07 th & 15 th Nov. 2023	
5.	Preliminary Teaching Practice	09 th & 16 th Nov. 2023	

Internship for M.Ed Programme

The I and II year students of M.Ed programme have gone for their respective internship to the nearby institutions which is related and mandatory to their curriculum. The details are given in the table as follows

S. No.	Programme	Date	Name of the Institution
1	I M. Ed	19 th & 20 th March 2024	Loyola Convent Nursery and Primary School, Palayamkottai
2	II M. Ed	06 th to 24 th Nov. 2023	St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai

Evaluation

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The quality of curricular transactions, co-curricular and extension activities for the students must be monitored by an institutional feedback mechanism.

Entry and Exit Behaviour Tests

The exit behavior test was conducted for II B.Ed. students of batch 2021-2023 on 29th April 2023 via Google Forms. The responses were analyzed and compared with the entry behavior test. A significant difference between the entry and exit behavior tests was identified. Entry behaviour test was conducted for I B.Ed. students of batch 2023-2024 on 16th August 2023.



Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA)

The Continuous Internal Assessment for B.Ed. and M.Ed. Programmes were conducted in the following dates

Programme	Semester	CIA	Dates
B.Ed.	I	II	11 th to 13 Dec. 2023
M.Ed.	I & II		
Internal Teaching Competency	III		02 nd & 03 rd Jan. 2024
Internal Assessment of Teaching Learning Materials	III		04 th Jan. 2024
Record Verification	III		05 th Jan. 2024
I B.Ed. Digital Pedagogy		I	18 th Jan. 2024
I B.Ed. Digital Pedagogy		II	03 rd Feb. 2024

B.Ed.Elective	IV	I	06 th Mar. 2024
B.Ed. & M.Ed.	II & IV	I	11 th to 13 th Mar. 2024
B.Ed. & M.Ed.	II & IV	II	14 th to 17 th May 2024

Semester Examinations

The semester examinations for B Ed and M Ed programmes were held on the following dates

Programme	Semester	Dates
B.Ed.	I	02 nd to 06 th Jan. 2023
M.Ed.	I & III	02 nd to 05 th Jan. 2023
I B.Ed. Digital Pedagogy		23 rd May 2023
External Teaching Competency	III	08 th & 09 th Jan. 2024
I B.Ed. Digital Pedagogy		16 th & 17 th Feb. 2024
B.Ed. & M.Ed.	II & IV	23 rd to 30 th May 2024

Academic Results

An examination is a testing point in the career of any student. We are happy and proud to witness our students' encouraging and outstanding performance in the previous examinations. Congratulations to the dedicated and scholarly team of our professors.

B.Ed. Results				
Academic Year	Candidates		Class obtained	
	Appeared	Passed	Theory	Practical
2021-2023	97	97	First Class: 42 Distinction: 45	First Class: 90 Distinction: 7

Tutor Ward Interaction

Students of both the years were given continuous mentoring through the tutor ward interaction. This will help maintain a smooth relationship between teachers and students. Teachers can identify the strengths and weaknesses of the students and guide them academically as well as personally. We had the tutor-ward interaction in the campus for I and II B. Ed students. The following dates we conducted.

1 st Year B.Ed.	19.09.2023
	19.03.2024
	16.04.2024
2 nd Year B.Ed.	28.07.2023
	30.01.2024
	13.04.2024

Criterion III: Research and Outreach Activities

Research

Approval of Ph.D. Research Supervisor

The following professors have got the approval to be a research supervisor for PhD programme in Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai.

S. No.	Name of the Faculty	Recognition Number	With effect from
1	Dr. Y. Daniel	TNTEU/R/Guideship /2023/01705 dated 02.09.2023	24.08.2023
2	Dr. S. Sherlin	TNTEU/R/Guideship /2024/00348 dated 01.03.2024	23.02.2024

AASAAN Publications

The annual publication of books with ISBN numbers significantly impacts higher education by upholding credibility, fostering diversity, reflecting dynamism, and enhancing accessibility. These publications serve as foundational pillars supporting the pursuit of knowledge, academic excellence, and lifelong learning within the higher education landscape.

The Eight books published by AASAAN publications published are as follows

S. No.	Title of the Book	Name of the Author(s) / Editor(s)	ISBN Number	Month & Year of Publication
1	Micro Teaching Made Easy	Rev. Dr. S. Amaladoss Xavier, SJ	978-9384192-06-8	Edition II Nov. 2023
2	Re-engineering Teacher Education: Approaches and Challenges	Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, SJ Dr. A. Punitha Mary	978-93-84192-22-8	Mar. 2024
3	Life Skills Development	Dr. M. Antony Raj Dr. A. Punitha Mary	978-93-84192-23-5	Apr. 2024
4	Impact of Intensive English Training Programme on Enhancing Proficiency in English among the Prospective Teachers	Dr. A. John Lawrence	978-93-84192-24-2	Apr. 2024
5	A Study on Microteaching Practice at	Dr. A. Punitha Mary	978-93-84192-25-9	Apr. 2024

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6	Virichudar Chemmal-Struggle of V.O.C	Dr. M. Antony Raj Dr. Namasivayam	978-93-84192-26-6	Apr. 2024
7	Vivegak Kaayam-(Feminism Theatre)	Dr. M. Antony Raj Dr. Namasivayam	978-93-84192-27-3	Apr. 2024
8	Social Project	Dr. M. Antony Raj Dr. Y. Daniel	978-93-84192-28-0	Apr. 2024

4	Formulation of Objectives and Hypotheses	Dr. J. Maria Prema, <i>Assistant professor of Education, SICE</i>
5	Population and Sample	Dr. A. Punitha Mary, <i>Assistant Professor in Education, SXCE</i>
6	Research Proposal Writing	
7	Research Tools	Dr. M. Antony Raj, <i>Associate Professor in History, SXCE</i>
8	Research Report Writing	Dr Y. Daniel, <i>Assistant Professor in Biological Science, SXCE</i>

On the whole, 'Students Exchange Programme' was highly helpful and has given the needed impetus to the students to engage themselves in the research work.



Recent Trends in Research Report Writing

Bonhore PG and Research Department of Education, St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, organized a special lecture on "Recent Trends in Research Report Writing" on 21st July 2023. Dr. M. Priyadarshini, Senior Lecturer, Department of Education, HELP University, Malaysia, was the resource person. Dr. M. Priyadarshini threw light on recent trends in research report composition, structuring the Chapters, Writing Abstract, Prelims, Appendices, Formatting and Academic Writing Style, and Plagiarism. Dr. Priyadarshini's responses were insightful and pragmatic, offering valuable insights into mitigating common research report writing hurdles.



Students Exchange Programme for M.Ed. Students

Our College (SXCE) and St. Ignatius College of Education (SICE), Palayamkottai, jointly organized a two-day Students Exchange Programme (SEP) on 'Basics of Educational Research' for the I year M.Ed. students on 28th and 29th August 2023. The M.Ed. students of our college and St. Ignatius College of Education (SICE) benefited having various topics on Research handled by the faculty members of the above two colleges. The programme executed is given as follows

Sl. No.	Topic	Resource Person
1	Introduction to Research	Dr M. Maria Saroja, <i>Associate Professor of Biological Science, SICE</i>
2	Research Problems	Dr. N. Theresita Shanthi, <i>Assistant Professor of Physical Science, SICE</i>
3	Review of Related Literature	Dr R. Indra Mary Ezhilselvi, <i>Assistant Professor of Psychology, SICE</i>

Special Discussion on 'Selection of Research Problem'

The selection of a research problem is an important step in the research. Discussion is one of the sources for the same. Hence XAVISS (XAVIER's Smart Search): An Innovative Research Breeding Unit arranged a special discussion on 'Selection of Research Problems' on 20th September 2023. All four M.Ed. students of 2023-2024 presented their topics. After a discussion by the experts, the following topics were selected as research problems for investigation.

S.No.	Name	Research Topics
1	Ajit Poul Kujur	Impact of 'Kanyashree Prakalpa' on the Academic Aspiration of Hr. Sec. Female Students
2	Kalaivani SS	Shanmuganatha Primary School-A Case Study
3	Leemaranjani A	Attitude of High School Teachers towards the Tamil Nadu School Education Department (TNSED) School App.
4	Michael Lathis G	Ann's Culture among Hr. Sec. School Students-An exploratory Study.



Faculty Empowerment Programme (FEP) – Augmenting Prowess in Qualitative Research

AFEP on 'Augmenting Prowess in Qualitative Research' was conducted on 07th October 2023, to

empower the faculty members in qualitative research methods. The faculty members and research scholars from St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous) (SXCE), St. Ignatius College of Education (Autonomous) (SICE), Palayamkottai, Annammal College of Education (ACOE), Thoothukudi, and V.O.C College of Education, (VOCCE) Thoothukudi, attended the FEP. The resource person, Dr. R. Ramnath, Associate Professor, Department of Education, Alagappa University, Karaikudi, elucidated the A to Z of qualitative research. Dr. M. Priyadarshini, Senior Lecturer, Department of Education, HELP University, Malaysia, appeared virtually and explained the thematic analysis and coding of qualitative research. The certificates were distributed to the participants by Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, SJ., the principal.



Discourse on Research Ethics

To be aware of ethical considerations in research, a discourse on research ethics was organized for the M.Ed. and PhD scholars on 18th November 2023 in the Mother Theresa Hall. Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ, Principal, SXCE in his inaugural address highlighted the importance of ethics in research and encouraged the participants to actively participate in the discourse. The resource person was Dr. A. John Lawrence, Associate Professor of our College. The first session was on research and in the second session there was a series discussion on ethics, the importance of research ethics, ethical consideration of researchers and research supervisors. There was a short valediction in which the certificates were distributed to the participants. Totally 80 scholars benefitted from this discourse.



In-House Research (2023-2024)

After the successful completion of in-house research on the impact of COVID-19 on the resilience of prospective teachers sponsored by the Higher Education Commission of Madurai Jesuit Province in the year 2021-2023, this year the management of St. Xavier's College of Education allotted in-house research to the following two faculty members of our college, as specified below.



Research Colloquium - 1

The Research Colloquium was held on 18th November 2023 at 03.00 pm in the Conference Hall. The Research Supervisors Dr. M. Antony Raj and Dr. A. Michael J Leo were present in the meeting. The meeting began with an invocation of God's blessings by a prayer song.



Six Ph.D. Scholars namely V. Delwin Mary, A. Metilda Jasmine Shanthi, M. Rosary Kiruba Alexy, S. Raja Manickavasakan, D. Shanmuga Selva Sivasankari and L. Mahesh. He following suggestions were provided by the research supervisors.

- To attend conferences and workshops on research
- To publish the findings in the Journals.
- To attend the Research Colloquium without fail.
- To submit the thesis before May 2024.
- To visit the research supervisors often and try to complete the work as far as possible.

Research Colloquium - 2

The Research Colloquium was conducted on 31st May 2024 to help the research scholars check their progress, get clarification and walk through smoothly in their



S. No.	Investigators	Title of the In-House Research	Duration	Funding Agency	Fund Allotted
1	Dr. A. John Lawrence Asso. Prof. in English	Impact of Intensive English Training Programme on Enhancing Proficiency in English among Prospective Teachers	4 Months (Nov. 2023- Feb. 24)	Management, SXCE	Rs.10,000/-
2	Dr. A. Punitha Mary Assistant Professor in Education	A Study on Microteaching Practice at St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai	6 Months (Nov. 2023-Apr. 24)		Rs.10,000/-

research work. Seven scholars attended the colloquium and presented their progress.

Outreach Activities

Field Visit to Kudankulam

Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant (KKNPP), which is the biggest nuclear power station in India, was visited by our II B.Ed., students in two groups on 02nd and 08th May 2023 respectively. At first, they watched the model nuclear plant kept at the entrance. Later, a three-hour presentation on the functioning of the power plant, and the pros and cons of the plant was done by the staff of KKNPP. After lunch, they went around the nuclear plant and witnessed how the sea water is utilized and disposed of. All the students enjoyed the trip, as it was useful for them.



Red Run Marathon

The District Administration of Tirunelveli organized the "Youth Festival 2023: Red Run Marathon", covering a distance of 5 kilometers, in collaboration with the District AIDS Prevention and Control Unit (DAPCU) on 01st September 2023 at Anna Stadium, Palayamkottai. Four student-teachers represented our college and completed the marathon race successfully.



Visit to the Government Museum

St. Xavier's College of Education, Palayamkottai organized a visit to the government museum on 02nd April 2024 at 11.30 a.m. headed by Dr. Y. Daniel, Assistant professor. The Curator Mrs. S. Sathiyavalli expounded the glory of the district in terms of the government museum which was inaugurated on 31st December 1992. The curator Mrs. S. Sathiyavalli and Mr. Ulaganathan, Museum in-charge staff explained about the Virtual Tour. Further the prospective teachers visited the Government Museum Chennai, Egmore through the "virtual tour" from Tirunelveli Museum.



Visit to the Science Centre

St. Xavier's College of Education organized a visit to the District Science Centre on 02nd April 2024. The aims of these centre namely, to popularize science and

technology among public, to supplement science education in schools and colleges and to foster a spirit of scientific enquiry among the students were explained to the prospective teachers. The student teachers were informed about the various outreach programmes of the Centre that include Community Training Programmes for various cross sections of society such as Teachers' Training Programme, Rural Science Camp, Workshops, Vacation Hobby Courses, Science Fair, Popular Science Lectures in different facets of Science & Technology, Science Demonstration Lectures, Commemorative Days, Sky Observation Programmes, Temporary Exhibitions, Science Quizzes, Science Seminars etc. Dr. Y. Daniel, Assistant Professor in Biological Science and his team coordinated this programme.



Campus Interview

Campus interviews are a crucial step in the transition from academic life to the professional world. These interviews provide an opportunity for students to showcase their skills, knowledge, and suitability for potential job opportunities. Keeping in mind the importance of placing the students as teachers in a well reputed schools, our college invites various schools for recruiting our students in their schools.

Sl. No.	Name of the School	Date of Interview	No. of Students Selected
1.	Srivi Lions Schools, Srivilliputhur.	15 th February 2024	15
2.	Bethyl Mat. School, Danispet.	22 nd February 2024	03
3.	Kenbridge CBSE School, Shankarnagar.	01 st March 2024	05
4.	St. Xavier's Hr. Sec. School, Palayamkottai.	04 th & 18 th March 2024	02
5.	SRV schools, Rasipuram.	05 th March 2024	02
6.	VSR Int. School, Thisayanvilai.	22 nd March 2024	16
7.	Vels Vidyalaya CBSE School, Koilpatti.	12 th April 2024	02

Drama on the Freedom Fighter 'Virisudar Semmel' V.O. Chidambaram

The students of the Certificate Programme on Modern Theatre Arts 2022-2023 were trained to stage the drama on the freedom fighter Virisudar Semmel V.O. Chidambaram which was scripted and directed by

Dr. D. Namasivayam. This drama was staged in our college on 02nd March 2023, which was highly appreciated by the audience. On demand, the same drama was staged at Kariapatti, Thoothukkudi District on 27th March 2023 during the celebration of World Theatre Day. The drama attracted a large open audience, which paved the way to stage it again during the celebration of 152nd Birth Day of VO Chidambaranar on 05th September 2023 at VOC College, Thoothukkudi.



Campaign against Menace of Drug Abuse

The campaign against the menace of drug abuse was held at Christhuraja Higher Secondary School, Palayamkottai, on 10th October 2023 at 03.00 pm. A Street-play was performed to address the menace of drug abuse, in front of the school students, followed by an awareness song. Finally, an oath was taken by all 500 school students, along with our student teachers.



Educational Tour

The Second year B.Ed students were taken to an Educational tour to Kerala from 14th to 16th March 2024. The II-year B. Ed Students visited Munnar, St. George Church, Wonderla and Marine drive in Kochi, Athuirapalli falls, and Hanging Bridge. Overall, the tour provided a rich educational experience that integrated various disciplines and offered practical, hands-on learning opportunities outside the traditional classroom setting. The tour was coordinated by Dr. A. Michael J Leo, the Staff Secretary and the Students Council of our College.



Field Trip

A field trip was organized by St. Xavier's College of Education on 15th March 2024. The principal in charge, Dr. M. Antony Raj, nine staff members, 73 student teachers of I and II years, two M.Ed. students, and eight Montessori Training students went on the

trip to Madurai. Initially, we visited Keeladi, which is one of the most important archaeological museums in Tamil Nadu and visited Thirumalinaikar Mahal, which is a very important historical place in Tamil Nadu. Finally the students visited the Kalaignar Centenary Library. The whole field trip was highly informative. The whole program was organized by Dr. Y. Daniel and Dr. R. Sathesh Franklin.



Field Visit to Vinayaga Glass Industries

A field trip was organised to SIPCOT Industrial Park, at Gangaikondan, Tirunelveli, by the Standard club of our college in collaboration with Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Madurai branch office on 08th April 2024, for the department of Biological science and Physical science. Mr. Sriram, the Managing Director of Vinayaga Glass Industries, was wholeheartedly welcomed and explained to us the nature of the work. The resource persons, namely Mr. Sriram and Mr. Neelakandan who had spent their valuable time explaining the different stages involved in carving the raw glass materials. We also thank wholeheartedly Mr. M. Sivakumar, Standards Promotion Officer, Bureau of Indian Standards, Madurai Branch, the Standard Club Coordinator of our college, Dr. Y. Daniel, and Dr. U. Subramanian, Assistant Professor, for arranging such an inspiring field visit.



Subject Knowledge Competency

Our college is concern in developing our students on competitive examinations such as TET and CTET, the CGPC of our College conducts subject knowledge competency exams which would be much useful for them in reaching their destiny. Exams on Tamil and English school contents have been conducted on 6th, 19th February and 02nd April 2024 respectively.

UGC NET Preparatory Programme

UGC-NET preparatory programme was conducted by Fr. Utarid Library of our college in collaboration with SALIS, Tirunelveli chapter for the faculty of Education and Library and Information Science students from 29th May to

01st June 2024. Thirty two participants across Tamilnadu benefitted out of this programme.



Mother Teresa Evening Study Centre (MOTESC) & ARCH

Mother Teresa Evening Study Centre (MOTESC) activities for the academic year 2023-24 began on 22nd August 2023 to the end 23rd March 2024. All the Girl I B. Ed students visited Joy Bhavan at NGO ‘B’ Colony; the boys visited St. Thomas Home for Children, Kurichi, Tirunelveli. They conducted special evening classes in these two centers and taught Tamil, English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science and Computer Science subjects throughout the week except Sundays and official government holidays. All the second-year students were sent to the Home for the Aged at ARCH daily, as five-member group from 22nd January 2024 to 31st March 2024. They interacted with the old aged people, and learnt the lessons of life from their shared experiences. Dr. Y. Daniel, Dr. R. Sathesh Franklin and Dr. U. Subramanian coordinated this MOTESC programme.

Criterion IV: Infrastructure and Learning Resources

Infrastructure

The following infrastructures have been added in the College since June 2023.

- The internet facility in the campus was enhanced to 300 MPBS (3 Nos.).
- Fr. Thundyl ICT Lab was equipped with new UPS (10 KV).
- Two classrooms were equipped with LED projectors.
- A New Copier was purchased at the dean’s office.
- A water dispenser was installed in the ground floor for students.
- The floors of Girls rest room at the ground floor and the sick room in the second floor were renovated.

Criterion V: Student Support and Progression

Intensive English Training Programme

As our college is committed to developing world-class teachers, an Intensive English Training (IET) Programme 2023 was organized for newly admitted

B.Ed. students from 10th July to 04th August 2023. The main goal of this intensive training program was to provide holistic training in LSRW skills (listening, speaking, reading, and writing), shaping the schedule and activities accordingly. During the training, the morning sessions were dedicated to intensive grammar classes and tongue twisters, and the afternoon featured an extensive activity session in six separate groups. The IET programme concluded with the valedictory function conducted on 04th August 2023 at Arul Joseph Auditorium, Rev. Fr. Jamels James, Director of LIFT, Diocese of Palayamkottai, was invited as the chief guest. He highly praised the students for their spellbinding performances and motivated them with his eloquence and creative ideas.



One day Leadership Training for the Students’ Council Members

The College organized a one-day Leadership Training for the Students’ Council Members on 22nd July 2023 at Louis Xavier Hall, XIBA Palayamkottai. Rev. Dr. A. Michael John, SJ., Director of Xavier Institute of Business Administration (XIBA), Palayamkottai, was the resource person. The whole training was designed around the theme “The Leader in You: A New Way of Being”. The fun games conducted by the resource person encouraged communication, teamwork, problem solving, and critical thinking among the members of the students’ council.

Ice-Breaking Session

To enhance the interaction, cooperation and team spirit among the prospective teachers, an ice-breaking session was organized on 27th September 2023. Fr. Principal and Rev. Fr. A. Basker, SJ were the resource persons. The prospective teachers were given activities on communication, mutual interaction, teamwork, knowing personality, information processing, and self-esteem. It was thoroughly enjoyed by the students.



Inaugurations of College Students’ Council 2023-2024

The inaugural ceremony for the newly elected college students’ council 2023-2024 was held on 24th July 2023. An oath was taken by all the office bearers

of the Students' Council followed by the Felicitation by Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar, SJ, the Secretary. The Chief Guest, Dr. S.M. Abdul Kader, Principal, Sadakathullah Appa College, Tirunelveli, highlighted the importance of students' council in schools and colleges. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, SJ., Rector, presided over the function and shared the thought types of leadership in his presidential address.



Students' Enrichment Activities

College Students' Council Members

The inaugural function of the College Students' Council was held on 21st July 2023. Dr. S. M. Abdul Kader, Principal, Sadakathullah Appa College was the chief guest. The following were selected for the College Students' Council:

Sl. No.	Course	Year	Position	Position	Name
1.	B.Ed.	II	Section – B	Chair person	Rohith A
2.	B.Ed.	I	Physical science	Vice-Chair person	Anancia M
3.	B.Ed.	II	Mathematics	Secretary	Selina Thiraviya Ruby D
4.	B.Ed.	I	English	Joint-Secretary	Amala Arputha Raj A
5.	B.Ed.	I	Section– A	Member	Vidya Shree P
6.	B.Ed.	I	Section -B	Member	Annie Reshma V
7.	B.Ed.	I	Tamil	Member	Kanagalaksh mi P
8.	B.Ed.	I	Mathematics	Member	Yuvashree Ananthi A
9.	B.Ed.	I	Bio Science	Member	Sahaya Selva Vincy M
10.	B.Ed.	I	History	Member	Simson A
11.	B.Ed.	I	Computer Science	Member	Saranya S
12.	M.Ed.	I	M.Ed.	Member	Leemaranjani A
13.	B.Ed.	II	Section– A	Member	Senthil Anand G
14.	B.Ed.	II	Tamil	Member	Muthu M
15.	B.Ed.	II	English	Member	Kiruthika R
16.	B.Ed.	II	Physical Science	Member	Singarayar S
17.	B.Ed.	II	Bio-Science	Member	Alice Kiruba J
18.	B.Ed.	II	History	Member	Mohamed Muzzamil K
19.	B.Ed.	II	Computer Science	Member	Shashanth J

20.	M Ed.	II	M.Ed.	Member	Evangeline Arulmary K
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Congratulation to the College Students' Council for actively participating in the organization of all the events of the college.

Inauguration of Standard Club

The Inauguration of Standards Club was held on 28th August 2023. Dr. Y. Daniel, the coordinator of this programme, introduced the resource person, Mr. M. Sivakumar, Standards Promotion Officer, Bureau of Indian Standards, Madurai Branch, who explained the concepts of BIS, and Standardization procedures and conducted a Slogan writing competition on 'Standards'. The winners were congratulated with cash awards. To conclude, Fr. Principal delivered the presidential address.



Inauguration of Subject Clubs

The inaugural function of the various subject clubs of our college was held at Mother Teresa Hall on 30th August 2023, at 3.00 p.m. The Chief Guest, Dr. M.I. Zahir Hussain, Assistant Professor in Zoology, Sadakathullah Appa College (Autonomous), Tirunelveli, inaugurated the clubs and delivered the inaugural address. The presidents of various subject clubs (Tamil, English, Mathematics, Physical Science, Biological Science, History, Computer Science, and Health) presented the objectives and activities planned to be conducted by the respective clubs during the academic year 2023-2024.



Subjects Club Activities

Date	Name of the Club	Topic	Resource Person
27.01.2024	Tamil & History, Computer Science Departments	tuyhw;wpd; mhpr;Rtb nghUie	Kj;jhyq;Fwpr;rp fhkuhR tuyw;W vOj;jhsH

User Awareness on National Digital Library of India and Inauguration of NDLI Reader's Club

Fr. Utarid Library of St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai and NDLI Council, IIT Kharagpur jointly organised



User Awareness Programme on NDLI and Inauguration of NDLI Reader's Club on 10th April 2024 through Google Meet. Dr. M. Antony Raj, Principal I/C and Patron NDLI Reader's Club welcomed the gathering. Rev. Fr. S. Mariya Singarayar SJ felicitates the gathering. Dr. T. Raja, Librarian and Secretary, NDLI Reader's Club introduced the programme and the resource person. Mr. Dubendu Chakraborty, Senior Outreach Manager (South), NDLI, IIT Kharagpur delivered the talk on user awareness on NDLI and functions of NDLI Reader's Club effectively. Dr. S. Sherlin, Vice Principal, and President, NDLI Reader's Club, Professors and all the student teachers around 160 members participated the programme successfully.

College Assembly

The college assembly sets a platform for professional development, peer networking and the spirit of teamwork for the trainee teachers. The following assemblies were conducted during this academic year 2023-2024.

Pedagogy of Mathematics

The College Assembly organized by Mathematics group was held on 25th September 2023 at 09.15 a.m. in the college quadrangle on the theme 'Affection', which highlighted the celebration of Miladi-un-Nabi. Fr. Principal hoisted the national flag and delivered the special address. A speech highlighting the significance of Miladi-un-Nabi and the teachings of Prophet Mohammed was shared. The students performed a creative dance on 'Angles', and the winners of the quiz competitions were distributed prizes by the principal.

Pedagogy of Physical Science

The Pedagogy of Physical Science conducted the college assembly on the theme "Inner Harmony: A Path to Mental Health" on 10th October 2023 with the Chief Guest of the day Dr. A. Nicolas Jegan, Assistant Professor of Computer Science. The special events, such as thought for the Day, news, vocabulary, a quiz, and a small skit, were performed by the student teachers of the Pedagogy of Physical Science. All the programmes were designed based on the selected theme.



Pedagogy of English

The Pedagogy of English conducted the college assembly on the theme "Mrphpak;" on 30th January 2024 with the Chief Guest of the day Dr. U. Subramanian, Assistant Professor of Tamil.

Student Council Members

On 27th March 2024, the members of student council of SXCE has organised an assembly on the theme, "The Cross". The programme was kick started with an introduction given by the masters of ceremony, Mr. Singharayar and Ms. Vidya Shree. By seeking the blessings of Almighty God, the choir team presented a prayer song and the Holy Scriptures was read by Mr. Shashanth, Mrs. Saranya and Mr. Muzzamil which was followed by Thamizhthaaivaazhthu. Then, the national flag was hoisted by the chief guest Dr. S. Mercy Joanna, Assistant Professor in English with the guidance of the Parade Master Mr. Rohith. A speech on the theme was given by Mr. Senthil and Mrs. Evangeline and then a quiz was conducted by Ms. Selina and Ms. Anancia on the theme of the assembly. Followed by that, a small skit was performed by the members of the student council based on the theme. Then, the chief guest Dr. S. Mercy Joanna delivered the chief guest address. Followed by that, the Principal i/c Mr. Antony Raj shared a few words and then the programme was winded up with the National Anthem. The whole assembly programme was effectively organized by Dr. S. Sherlin, Vice Principal as well as the student council advisor.



Celebrations

Homage to St. Ignatius Loyola

The programme "Homage to St. Ignatius of Loyola" was held on 28th July 2023 aimed to educate prospective teachers and faculty members about St. Ignatius, his contributions to education, and his spirituality. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., Rector of SXI, Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar, S.J., the Secretary, and Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., the Principal were leading the programme and Rev. Fr. A. Joseph, Counsellor of SXC, was the chief guest of the event. This programme served as a reminder of the enduring relevance of Ignatian spirituality and education in the present era.



Independence Day Celebration

The 77th Independence Day was celebrated in our college quadrangle, on 15th August 2023 at 07.30 a.m. with great



enthusiasm and patriotic spirit. The programme started with a prayer song and was followed by our Tamil Thai Vazhthu. The national flag was hoisted by Dr. A. Michael J Leo, Dean and IQAC Coordinator of our college, who delivered the 77th Independence Day address.

Teachers' Day Celebration

The Teachers' Day Celebration was organized on 05th September 2023. Dr. M. Krishnasamy, P.G Assistant in Physics, K.R. Government Hr. Sec. School, Reddiarpetti, Tirunelveli, was the Chief Guest. The program featured various activities, such as speeches, poems, group songs and a skit. The student-teachers expressed their gratitude by presenting gifts to the respected Rev. Fr. Rector, the Secretary, the Principal, and beloved teachers. The Celebration was concluded with the Presidential remarks of Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, SJ who presided over the function.



Deepavali Celebration

The festival of light 'Diwali' was celebrated in our college on 10th November 2023. The Chief Guest was Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., Rector of SXI, and Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., the Principal presided over the function. The I year B. Ed students presented a spectacular cultural performance and the celebration brought a sense of happiness and hope.



Graduation Day Celebration

The 12th, 13th and 14th Graduation Ceremony at St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, was held on the 25th November 2023 at 10.00 a.m. in the college Quadrangle. This event marked a significant milestone in the academic journey of the graduating students of batches 2018-2020, 2019-2021, and 2020-2022 of B.Ed and M.Ed., as they embarked on a new chapter in their lives. Dr. A. Michael J Leo, Dean of Academics, extended a warm welcome. The Declaration of the Graduation Day Open was done by Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar, S.J., the Secretary of the college. The Welcome Address was delivered by Dr. M. Antony Raj, Controller of Examinations.



Honorable M. Appavu, Speaker of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, graced the occasion as the Guest of Honor, delivering an inspiring Graduation Address and presented diplomas to the graduating students. The Administration of the Pledge was done by Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., Principal of the college, and the ceremony was concluded by a Blessing by Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., Rector of St. Xavier's Institutions, Palayamkottai. Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., then formally dissolved the Graduation, marking the conclusion of the event. Dr. S. Sherlin, Vice Principal, delivered a Vote of Thanks, expressing gratitude to all participants, organizers, and supporters who contributed to the success of the ceremony. The National Anthem reverberated through the auditorium, symbolizing unity and pride in the nation.

Homage to St. Francis Xavier

The programme 'Homage to St. Francis Xavier' was held on 02nd December, 2023 at 03.00 pm in Arul Joseph Auditorium. There was a stunning drama on St. Francis Xavier, Rev. Fr. Divyanantham SJ, PhD Scholar, Department of Mathematics, St. Xavier's College delivered a beautiful reflection on St Francis Xavier as a Teacher. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, SJ was the chief guest and Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, SJ, the Principal presided over this programme.



Christmas Celebration

St. Xavier's College of Education, Palayamkottai, visited St. Anne's Rehabilitation Centre for the Intellectually Disabled (Bishop Iruthayaraj Campus), Palayamkottai, on 14th December 2023 to share the joy of Christmas. After the introductory speech given by Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, SJ, Principal, the children of St. Anne's special school performed a dance, followed by the Christmas message shared by Rev. Fr. A. Franklin, MSFS. Rev. Sr. Sabeena, Headmistress, St. Anne's Special School thanked the principal and the whole team of performers for

entertaining the kids with various programmes and for making the day more memorable. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, SJ, Rector, St. Xavier's Institutions, delivered the Christmas wishes and blessings.



Pongal Celebration

Pongal, the harvest festival of Tamil people was celebrated enthusiastically in our college quadrangle on 13th January 2024. The students of each pedagogy both first and second year prepared their own Pongal with joy and happiness. Fun games were conducted for all our students and staff members. In the formal function, the secretary Rev. Fr. Singarayar SJ, and the Principal Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ, felicitated the gathering. The chief guest Rev. Dr. Jomics, Parish Priest, Palayamchettikulam, delivered a special address about Pongal celebration by sharing a lot of examples from Tamil literature. The whole programme was organized by the students' council members under the guidance of Dr. S. Sherlin, the vice principal & the advisor of students' council.



Kalai Chitharal-2024

Kalai Chitharal-2024, an intra-mural cultural competition, was held on 29th February 2024. All the B.Ed. boys and girls were divided into different groups and various competitions were conducted. The prizes were distributed.



Women's Day

The Women's Day celebration at St. Xavier's College of Education on 07th March 2024, was an inspiring and impactful event that brought together students, faculty, and esteemed guests. The occasion was graced by the presence of Dr. Faritha Begum, Former Associate Professor at St. Ignatius College of Education, as the chief guest. Her speech was nothing short of mind-blowing, as she delved into the reality of women's conditions in society today. The Presidential Address was delivered by Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, setting the tone for an empowering and enlightening celebration. The celebration also featured various cultural performances, showcasing the talent and creativity of the students.



Sports Day

The 74th sports day was conducted in our college on 09th March 2024. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome SJ, Rector, St. Xavier's Institutions, presided over the programme. Dr. A. Lawrence Selvaraj, Former Director of Physical Education at St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, graced the occasion as the chief guest. Sports events were conducted separately for boys and girls. The boys were divided into three different houses namely Blue, Green and Red, whereas the girls were divided into five houses, namely Blue, Green, Pink, Red and Violet. 7 games and 10 track and field events were conducted for male students. Five games and 9 track and field events were conducted for female students.



The Individual Championship was won by Mr. M. Arumuganainar under men category. Ms. C. Saranya Devi bagged the Individual Championship in the female category. The winner of March Past was Blue House under the captainship of Mr. W. Felix. Green House emerged victorious in the men's category, securing the championship title under the leadership of Mr. J. Anto Rosario Jeffrin, while Red House claimed the overall championship in the women's category under the leadership of Ms. R. Kiruthika. Mr. S. Prince

and Ms. C. Debo Gracia as Sports Secretaries and Mr. S. Satheesh Kumar and Ms. M. Sahaya Selva Vincy acted as Sports Joint Secretaries of 74th College Annual Sports and Games for the academic year 2023-2024. Dr. M. Antony Raj, the Principal in-charge welcomed the gathering and Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar SJ felicitated. Dr. R. Sathesh Franklin, Director of Physical Education. The Sports Day was successfully organized by Dr. R. Sathesh Franklin, Director of Physical Education.

World Water Day Celebration

World Water Day was celebrated on 22nd March 2024 aiming to raise awareness about the importance of freshwater and advocate for sustainable management of water resources. An introductory speech on world water day was delivered by Dr. S. Sherlin, Assistant Professor of Physical Science. Then a presentation on the shortage of water, consequences of water scarcity, amount of water needed per person and remedies to save water was delivered by Br. Johnson, II Year B.Ed. student. Another video presentation was from BBC News on the ground report of water scarcity in rural Maharashtra. Dr. M. Antony Raj delivered the presidential address. The winners of the competitions were presented with prizes.



College Day

74th College day was celebrated on 26th April 2024 in the college quadrangle. Most Rev. Dr. S. Antony Samy, the Bishop of Palayamkottai was the chief guest. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., the Rector of St. Xavier’s Institutions presided over the function.



Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar, S.J., the Secretary of our college delivered the felicitation and Dr. M. Antony Raj, Principal i/c presented the Annual Report. The programme concluded by a spectacular cultural programmes.

Farewell Day

The ‘Farewell Day’ for the academic year 2023-2024 was held on 13th May 2024 at 11.30 am in Fr. Arul Joseph Auditorium. The programme began with a prayer song by the College Choir. Ms. Vidya Shree P., I year student teacher from the Pedagogy of Mathematics welcomed the gathering. Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar SJ, Secretary gave the facilitation and blessings. Dr. M. Antony Raj, Principal i/c delivered the presidential address. He inspired the students and wish all the very best for their future. The outgoing students namely Mr. Joel, Ms. Jeyabharthi and Mrs. Evangelin shared their experiences in our campus in a touching manner. In between the meeting dance, group songs and fun games were performed by the first year students. A video presentation was screened in the name of bring back memories. Finally all the second year students were appreciated by the first year students by a gift of their photos and a quote put in a glass bottle. The programme came to end at 01.20 p.m. with the vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Manoj M Rajesh., I year student teacher from the pedagogy of Physical Science. The master of ceremony was done by Ms. V. Annie Reshma & Ms. B. Sri Abinaya, I B. Ed student teacher from the pedagogy of English and Mathematics. The whole progreamme was well organized by Dr. S. Sherlin, Vice Principal cum Assistant Professor in Physical Science.



Vocational Education Nai Talim Experiential Learning (VENTEL) Programmes

The aim and objectives of Vocational Education ‘Nai Talim Experiential Learning’ (VENTEL) are centred around promoting Gandhiji’s ideas on experiential learning, Nai Talim, work education, and community engagement.



VENTEL aims to institutionalize experiential learning in vocational education, emphasizing a hands-on approach to learning that goes beyond traditional classroom methods. The specific goals may include enhancing the quality of education aligned with sustainable development. The following are a series of VENTEL programme organised in our college.

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Programme	Resource Person
1	04 th Oct. 2023	Demonstration on Shell Painting	Mr. E. Lenin, Agamahil Kalaiyagam, Tirunelveli.
2	14 th Oct. 2023	Birth Anniversary of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam	Dr. J. Barnabas Jacob, Head, Dept. of History, St. John's College, Palayamkottai.
3	08 th Nov. 2023	National Education Day	Dr. M. Johnson Gritto, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai.
4	28 th Feb. 2024	National Science Day	Rev. Dr. M. Antonysamy, SJ Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai

Awareness Programmes

Anti-Drug Oath-Taking

The menace of being addicted to drugs is a complex issue, and it affects millions of people worldwide. Many people who use drugs face stigma and discrimination that further harms their physical and mental health, besides preventing them from accessing the help they need. On 11th August 2023 at 11.10 a.m., the 32 staff and non-teaching personnel of our college took an oath against drug abuse.



World Suicide Prevention Day

Suicide is a major public health problem with far-reaching social, emotional, and economic consequences. "Creating Hope Through Action" is a triennial theme for World Suicide Prevention Day. The theme serves as a powerful call to act and remind that there are many solutions to prevent. The Youth Red Cross Club of our college organized an awareness event on 'World Suicide Prevention Day' on 11th September 2023. Dr. G. Ramanujam, Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Tirunelveli Medical College, was the resource person. He said that in India, about 71% of suicide cases accounted are among below the age of 40 and Tamil Nadu is ranked the

second among the other states. The programme emphasized the importance of creating awareness and offers solutions to suicidal thoughts.



Oath on Social Justice

Social justice day was observed in our college on 15th September 2023 owing to the birth anniversary of Thanthai Periyar. The trainees, faculty, and other staff members took an oath promising they continue to integrate every aspect of social justice with all the people.

Oath on National Unity Day

To honour Sardar Vallabhai Patel's contributions to the country, since 2014, the Government of India has been celebrating his birth day on 31st October as the Day of National Unity Day. This day is marked as a reminder of the strength of our nation and will highlight the resilience of our country towards dangers posed against our security, unity, and integrity. On this day, the students and staff members of our college have taken the oath to ensure national unity on 31st October 2023.



Awareness on Dengu (Nilavembu Kudineer)

'Nilavembu Kudineer' was distributed to the students and staff of our college from 20th to 22nd September 2023 with the help of Sidha Medical College Hospital, Tirunelveli. During this campaign, on 21st September 2023, Dr. Abdul Kadar, Professor of Sidha Medical College delivered a lecture on 'Seasonal Deceases and Dengu'. Fr. Principal facilitated the gathering. This campaign created awareness among the students about Tamil medicine.



Cancer Awareness Programme

A 'Cancer Awareness' programme was organized by the women empowerment cell of our college on 05th October 2023. Dr. M. Abirami, B.S.M.S, Screening Medical Officer, Nellai Cancer Care Centre, Tirunelveli was the chief guest.



She motivated the students to have healthy life style, balanced food, regular exercise and stress regulation. The doubts of the students were clarified.

Cyber Securities (SEP)

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, organized a one-day awareness programme on Cyber Security at the Fr. Arul Joseph Auditorium on 23rd November 2023. The programme aimed to educate and raise awareness among the first-year B.Ed. students about the importance of cyber security in today's digital age. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome S.J., the Professor and Head of Department of Human Excellence of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, was the resource person. Students from St. Xavier's College of Education, along with their counterparts from Sri Sarada College of Education, Palayamkottai, and St. John's College of Education, Palayamkottai, participated in the programme. This collaboration was made possible through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) among the colleges, highlighting the shared commitment to promoting academic excellence and holistic development among students. The awareness programme comprised informative sessions and interactive discussions on various aspects of cyber security, including Introduction to Cyber Security, Cyber Threats and Risks and Best Practices for Cyber Security. The awareness programme concluded with a commitment from the participating colleges to continue collaborating on initiatives aimed at promoting cyber security awareness and ensuring the safety and security of students in the digital realm. Overall, the one-day awareness programme on Cyber Security served as a valuable platform for students to gain essential knowledge and skills to navigate the digital landscape safely and responsibly.

World Human Rights Day

Human Rights Day is observed by the international community every year on 10th December. It commemorates the day in 1948 the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. On 09th December 2023, World Human Rights Day was observed by St. Xavier's College of Education. On that day, at 10.00 am in Arul Joseph Auditorium, a special talk on 'Awareness on Women Harassment' was arranged. Mrs. K. Palani, Advocate, Tirunelveli District Court, presided over the event as the chief guest. The programme began with a prayer song by our college choir. Ms. R. Dheepika, 01st year student teacher welcomed the gathering. Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ, the principal introduced the chief guest. From the speaker session, she shared a glimpse of the problems and the issues faced by the

women in the current scenario. She also talked about the women who were newly recruited; they are ignorant of their right to complain about harassment. On focusing the Manipur issue, the brutal things happened in the northeast India due to a fight between the tribal groups. The incident behind is a community's revenge against the other by dishonouring the women of the other community. She told that by raising the voice for women's right and gender equality, we can spread awareness and breakdown the barriers. Not only women but also men have the responsibility to respect equally. She explained about the book AYESHA which talks about a girl wants to be a poet instead she become a teacher to pay off her family debts. She also gave information about KAVALAN App which was used to identify the caller information, location and to alert the nearby Police Station to provide immediate assistance to the user. She also taught how to teach the future generation to behave in the society. She shared the information about many law and articles which were favour for women protection given by the UDHR. At the end, there was an interactive session in which the students raised their doubts and it was addressed by the speaker.

Pledge Against Untouchability

Every year 30th of January is observed as the Martyrs' Day, for paying homage to those who laid down their lives in the struggle for India's Freedom. In order to commemorate this day a silence is observed for two minutes from 11.00 a.m. to 11.02 a.m. on 30th January 2024 in our college followed by a pledge against untouchability. The Vice-Principal Dr. S. Sherlin, gave an introductory talk about the day and the pledge was read by Ms. M. Petchiyammal, student teacher from II B. Ed. All the students and staff members actively participated and took the pledge.



Pledge Against Bonded Labour System Abolition

February 09th is observed as Bonded Labour System Abolition Day by the government of Tamil Nadu. TN government has taken several measures like formulating and introducing a state action plan and operating procedures to abolish the bonded Labour system. In order to support this initiative, our college has taken the pledge against Bonded Labour System Abolition on 09th February 2024 at 11.00 a.m. The



pledge was read out by Ms. Sindhu Kavi., student teacher from II B. Ed. All the students and staff members sincerely taken the pledge.

Human Chain Campaign on “Climate Change”

Climate change stands out as one of the most pressing environmental challenges, with ample evidence of its far-reaching implications for human health. On 13th February 2024, the Extension Service Committee and Eco Protection Club of St. Ignatius College of Education (Autonomous), joined hands with the Extension Service Committee of St. Xavier’s College of Education (Autonomous), the Nature Club of St. John’s College of Education, Palayamkottai, and the Ever-Green Globe (EGG) Foundation from Tirunelveli to organize a human chain event centered around the theme "Climate Change." Commencing at 9:30 a.m., the program was inaugurated by Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ, Principal of St. Xavier’s College of Education (Autonomous) who also initiated the human chain. Mr. Nivek, the founder of the Ever-Green Globe (EGG) Foundation, delivered a special message emphasizing the imperative for society to recognize and address climate change. The human chain event witnessed active participation from 600 individuals, including student teachers and faculty members from the above three colleges of education. Slogans on global warming and climate change echoed throughout the event. The program was organised by Dr. Y. Daniel, Assistant Professor of Biological Science, and Dr. U. Subramanian, Assistant Professor of Tamil.



Voter Awareness Programme

Fr. Utarid Library of SXCE and District Election Awareness Council jointly organized the Voter Awareness Programme on 06th April 2024. The programme invoked with prayer song by college choir. Dr. T. Raja, Librarian and Coordinator of this programme welcomed the gathering. Dr. M. Antony Raj Principal i/c presides the programme. Dr. A. Muthukrishnan, Librarian (Rtd.) and Chairman, SALIS Tirunelveli Chapter felicitated the gathering. Mr. Palani, Deputy Tashildar, Palayamkottai Taluk addressed the students on Electronic Voting Machine and also explained about voter acknowledgement VVPAT machine. Mr. Selvam, Tashildar of Disaster Management, Tirunelveli District and Election Awareness addressed the students to ensure 100

percentage voting in the forthcoming elections to be held on 19th April 2024.



Visit to 7th Porunai Nellai Book Exhibition

Our college faculty members and all the students to visit the 7th Porunai Nellai Book Fair in the Industry Promotion Complex at Tirunelveli Town held on 12th February 2024. Our librarian and staff members visited the stalls and recommended 118 books to our college library worth of Rs.18000 and more than 50 books purchased buy the students from various stall.



Indian Art and Cultural Exhibition

St. John's College of Education, Palayamkottai hosted the Johnian Cultural Fez-2024 on 23th February 2024. Prospective teachers from both the first and second years of St. Xavier's College of Education, Palayamkottai, attended and experienced a range of innovative presentations. These included displays of Indian musical instruments, glass paintings, fireless food preparation, canvas sheet art, traditional Indian cuisine featuring various dishes, as well as models and equipment showcasing health and physical fitness. The event culminated in a mesmerizing showcase of Indian traditional dance performances in the auditorium. Dubbed "Indian Art and Cultural Exhibition", this event provided valuable insights into Indian tradition and culture for our prospective teachers, who were guided throughout by esteemed professors: Dr. R. Sathish Franklin, Mrs. A. Metilda Jasmine Shanthi, Dr. U. Subramanian, and Mrs. M. Rosary Kiruba Alexy.



National Service Camp

SWACHH Campus: 2024

National Service Scheme of St. Xavier’s College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, conducted a

programme on “Swachh Campus” on 14th March 2024. Dr. M. Antony Raj, Principal i/c, inaugurated the programme at 11.45 a.m. Prior to the inauguration, he addressed the students, stating that cleanliness is next to godliness, and it is the duty and responsibility of every student/citizen to keep the nation clean. Furthermore, he appealed to the student community to actively involve themselves in this nation-building mission wholeheartedly, understanding the embedded values beneath the scheme. All 75 First Year B.Ed. students, comprising both boys and girls, were divided into 7 working groups, and staff were assigned to mentor and monitor those groups in action. They cleaned inside the campus in their allotted areas. Energizing refreshments were given during the work-break to enthuse the work spirit among the students. The collected wastes were segregated as bio-wastes, plastic-wastes, and paper-wastes, and were disposed of properly. The program came to an end at 5:00 p.m. with the National Anthem. Dr. R. Sathesh Franklin coordinated the programme and made it a grand success.



Social Project Day

The four-dimensional responsibilities — Environmental, Ethical, Philanthropic and Economic Development — of a corporate system towards society demand research to implement people-welfare-oriented schemes. Our second-year B.Ed. students were divided into three groups, and they collected data to investigate the perspectives of the common folk on the selected three social issues — mobile addiction, violation of traffic rules and recent floods in Tirunelveli district — using the given questionnaire on 26th March 2024. The collected data was classified and statistically analyzed. The results are published as a book entitled ‘Social Project’ with ISBN: 978-93-84192-28-0. This initiative motivated the prospective teachers to research social contexts for the welfare of the people and to apply what they have learnt in the classroom. Appreciation to Dr. Y. Daniel for making the social project a grand success.



Seminars / Workshops

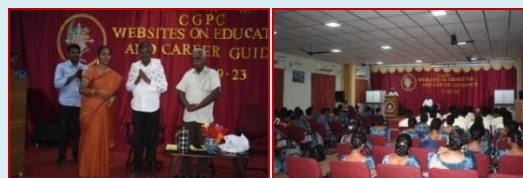
Etiquettes and Grooming

Our college conducted a programme on ‘Etiquettes and Grooming’ on 26th September 2023 through the Women’s Cell at 3.30 p.m. for the women students of the I year B.Ed. programme. Mrs. K. Evangeline Arulmary and Rev. Sr. Lathis, the students of II- and I-year M.Ed., were the resource persons. Both of them illustrated the importance of professional appearance of a teacher and demonstrated the nuances of dressing and gestures. The programme created awareness among the prospective women teachers about professional manifestation.



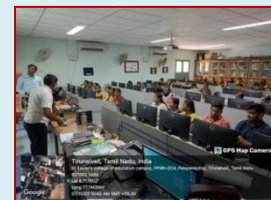
Websites on Education and Career Guidance

A Seminar on ‘Websites on Education and Career Guidance’ was organized by the career guidance and placement cell of our college on 27th September 2023. The resource person was Dr. M. Sundaram, Headmaster, Government ADW Hr. Sec. School, Kadambankulam, Tirunelveli District, who shared websites related to competitive exams, collecting study materials, and job opportunities. He also shared the available educational loans for girls and women. The programme was highly useful to the students.



Workshop on the Future of Educational Technology: A Deep Dive into AI Applications

St. Xavier’s College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai organized a workshop on “The Future of Educational Technology: A Deep Dive into AI Applications” on 07th October 2023, in the Rev. Fr. Thomas Thundyl ICT Lab. The resource person was Dr. K. Thangavel, Assistant Professor in Education, Thiagarajar College of Preceptors, Madurai. The speaker demonstrated various AI applications related to education and edutainment. This workshop was fruitful and an eye opener regarding AI tools.



Food Safety Awareness Programme

The Consumer Club organized a food safety awareness programme on 22nd August 2023 at 03.00

pm in the Mother Teresa Hall. The objective of the programme is to educate prospective teachers on healthy practices of food preparation, handling, storage, and consumption, and to create awareness about food adulteration.



Mr. A.R. Sankaralingam, Food Safety Officer, and Mr. S. Ganeshram, Food Analyst, were the resource persons. The analyst from the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) demonstrated the procedures to spot defective or expired food products. He categorized the three kinds of products as misleading, sub-standard and unsafe. Indeed, this programme created awareness among the prospective teachers about food safety.

Online JHEASA Lecture Series (St. Xavier's Institute of Education (Autonomous), Mumbai, JHEASA west zone)

An online talk series was organised on 31st January 2024 on the ZOOM platform by JHEASA B.ED. colleges of India. The theme was on Learner Progression. The names of the Collaborators are St. Xavier's Institute of Education (Autonomous), St. Aloysius Institute of Education, Mangalore, St. Xavier's college of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, TN, Loyola College of Education, Chennai, TN, and Loyola College of Education, Namchi, Sikkim. A total of 157 participants from the above institutions participated. Dr. Ritesh Khunyakari, from TISS, Hyderabad was the resource person. The concepts of the interrelationship between students' morale, performance, learner progression and assessment, Purposes of assessment, communicative, Pedagogical and Managerial were explained talk. As teachers this talk has brought in a different perspective of assessment, bringing us to reflect on the learner centeredness of assessment and its probable impact on students which most of us forget to realize.

Seminar on Critical Thinking

An extension lecture on Critical Thinking was conducted for the B. Ed students on 01st February 2024 at 02.00 p.m. in the Mother Teresa Hall. The resource person was Prof. Adam Paul Patteti, Professor at MANUU, Hyderabad. He deliberated on the process, principles and techniques of critical thinking. The doubts of the students were clarified by the students.

National Conference on 'Re-engineering Teacher Education: Approaches and Challenges'

The two-day national conference on "Re-engineering Teacher Education: Approaches and Challenges" was held on the 02nd and 03rd of February 2024. A total of 78 participants, comprising 36 faculty members and 42 research scholars, actively engaged in

the conference, fostering rich discussions and valuable insights. The national conference commenced on 2nd February 2024, with an inaugural ceremony in which Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ welcomed the gathering. Dr. A. Punitha Mary, the Organizing Secretary, provided an overview of the conference dynamics, emphasizing its purpose. Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar SJ, in his felicitation, stressed the importance of adapting education to societal needs. The keynote address by Prof. Adam Paul Patteti from MANUU highlighted the shift in learning paradigms, emphasizing the importance of both left and right brain education. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome SJ, Rector, St. Xavier's Institutions, delivered the inaugural address. The first session, 'Re-skilling Teachers for National Transformation: NEP 2020 Perspective,' was dealt by Dr. Adam Paul Patteti, Professor, Department of Education, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad. The second session, 'Refurbishing Teacher Education through Research,' was handled by Dr. K. Chellammal from Pondicherry University. The day concluded with a panel discussion titled "Revamping Teacher Education," featuring insights from principals, teacher educators, alumni, and students. Dr. A. Joycilin Shermila, Principal of Annammal College of Education for Women, Thoothukudi, skillfully moderated the discussion. Dr. R. Sasipriya, Principal of Thiyagi Dharmakhan College of Education, Kannirajapuram, provided the principal's perspective, emphasizing necessary changes in teacher education.

The second day's forenoon session was handled by Dr. S. Thiyagu, Assistant Professor at the Central University of Kerala on AI and teaching. After the lunch break, participants immersed themselves in paper presentations organized into four groups, each overseen by esteemed moderators: Dr. A. Amalraj and Dr. P. Annaraja, Former Professors of our college; Dr. Francisca, Former Professor of St. Ignatius College of Education; and Prof. Adam Paul Patteti, Professor at MANUU, Hyderabad. The conference featured a total of forty-one papers, offering diverse perspectives on teacher education. Following the paper presentations, the valedictory address was delivered by Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ, the Principal, SXCE, emphasizing the importance of reshaping teacher education and monitoring bodies to uphold its quality. Finally, Dr. A. Punitha Mary, the organizing secretary, proposed the vote of thanks, concluding the event on a note of appreciation and gratitude.



Experiential Learning Workshop on “Environment Education”

The experiential learning workshop on “Environment Education”, organized by St. Xavier’s College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, was held on 28th February 2024, at 3 p.m. in Mother Teresa Hall. Dr. Y. Daniel, the Coordinator of this programme, delivered the dynamics of the workshop. The co-coordinator Mrs. M. Rosary Kiruba Alexy introduced the resource persons, Rev. Dr. M. Anthinysamy and Dr. M. Johnson Gritto, Assistant Professors, Department of Botany, St. Xavier’s College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai. The resource persons briefed about sustainable development, Deforestation, afforestation, pollution, rain water harvesting, environmental health, climate change, global warming, water conservation, waste management, energy conservation, land use management, biodiversity conservation and COP-28. Dr. A. John Lawrence, Associate Professor enlightened the student-teachers about the preparation of Experiential Learning Lesson plan.

Family Life Education

On April 29, 2024, St. Xavier’s College of Education (Autonomous) hosted a seminar focused on Family Life Education. The seminar aimed to provide valuable insights and strategies for maintaining healthy relationships within the family unit, particularly in the context of marriage and pre-marital counseling. Dr. M. Antony Raj, Principal i/c, extended his warm welcome to the students. His warm reception set a positive tone for the event, encouraging engagement and participation from all the students. Mr. Irudhayaraj, a distinguished expert in family dynamics and relationships, served as one of the resource persons for the seminar. His presentation delved into effective problem-solving strategies within marriage. Drawing from his extensive experience, Mr. Irudhayaraj offered practical and insightful solutions to common challenges faced by couples in their marital journey. Mrs. Veronica, a pre-marital counselor, shared her expertise and wisdom with the attendees. Her session focused on fostering smooth and harmonious relationships within families. Mrs. Veronica not only provided valuable guidance but also enriched the seminar with real-life experiences, particularly concerning divorce cases. Thus the event underscored the importance of proactive measures and effective communication in nurturing strong and resilient family bonds.

Teacher of the Month - I

The first Teacher of the Month programme for the academic year 2023-2024 was held on 31st August 2023 (Thursday) in Mother Theresa Hall at 4.00p.m. Fr. Principal, briefed on the uniqueness of the TM

which aims to bridge the gap between the teacher and the real classroom. The chief guest was Mr. X. Francis, BT Assistant in Mathematics, St. Xavier’s Hr. Sec. School., Palayamkottai, who is our alumnus. As he shared 10 rules to be followed in the workplace, our students interacted with him.



Teacher of the Month - 2

The ‘Teacher of the Month’ for September was held on 22nd September 2023 (Friday) in Mother Theresa Hall at 03.00 pm. The chief guest was our Illustrious Alumnus Mr. E. Rajakumar Arulanandham, Former Headmaster, Scaffter Hr. Sec. School, Tirunelveli who emphasized the nine qualities to be developed to become an inspiring teacher, The interaction by the prospective teachers with the speaker showed the fruitfulness of this programme.



Teacher of the Month - 3

The 'Teacher of the Month' for the month of January 2024 was held on Wednesday, the 31st of January 2024, at 3:30 p.m. in Mother Theresa Hall. Opening the event, the College Choir performed a prayer song. Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ, the Principal of St. Xavier’s College of Education, delivered the presidential address. The distinguished guest for the occasion was Rev. Br. A. Britto SHJ., the Superior and correspondent of Christhu Raja Higher Secondary School, Palayamkottai, and an esteemed alumnus of our institution, having completed his B.Ed. Degree in the academic year 2004-2005. He shared insightful experiences from his time as a student and his journey as a teacher and correspondent. Highlighting crucial qualities for educators. The programme was impeccably organized by Dr. S. Sherlin, Assistant Professor in Physical Science.



Teacher of the Month - 4

Teacher of the Month programme was organized on 21st March 2024 at 3.00 pm at Fr. Arul Joseph Auditorium which was graced by the esteemed presence of Dr. L. Alangararaj, a respected figure in the educational sphere, serving as a PG Assistant in

Tamil at St. Xavier's H.S.S Palayamkottai. Dr. L. Alangararaj delivered an insightful keynote address, emphasizing the pivotal role of teachers in shaping the future generation. He shared valuable anecdotes and words of wisdom, inspiring both teachers and students alike to strive for excellence and pursue their passion for learning. The whole programme was effectively organized by Dr. S. Sherlin, Vice Principal.



Juvenile Justice Act

Human Rights Club of St. Xavier's College of Education, Palayamkottai on 19th January 2024 organised a programme on *shedding light on the Juveniles and their protection* in the Mother Teresa Hall. Mrs. A. Arockia Mary, Advocate & Member, Juvenile Justice Board, Tirunelveli was the resource person. The speaker outlined the procedure; process followed by the Child Welfare Police Officer (CWPO), custodial care and rehabilitation strategies. She advised future teachers to be aware of situations that might lead students become offenders and how to handle and guide them on the right path. The entire programme was coordinated by the, Mrs. M. Rosary Kiruba Alexy, Assistant Professor.



Video Conferencing - I: Co-related and Psychological Factors Involved in Teaching and Learning

The first video conferencing session for the academic year 2023-2024 was organised on 14th September 2023 at 3.00 pm in the Mother Theresa Hall. The resource person, Dr. Sr. M. Irudhaya Mary, Assistant Professor of English, Stella Matutina College of Education (Autonomous), Chennai, delivered the lecture on, "Co-related and Psychological Factors Involved in Teaching and Learning" through the Google Meet platform. The resource person shared her expertise on advanced teaching methods, the importance of cross-curricular factors, and the seven psychological factors related to teaching and learning. The student teachers showed incredible enthusiasm during the session and clarified their doubts.



Participation in the National Conference at SICE

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of St. Ignatius College of Education (Autonomous) organized a National Level Conference on '*Artificial Intelligence: Intelligent Yet Artificial*' on 25th October 2023. Rev. Dr. Stephen Jarad Susainathan, Professor, Faculty of Philosophy, Jnana Deepa Institute of Philosophy and Theology, Pune, was the resource person. All the 75 First year B.Ed students of our college participated and benefited from the conference, under MoU between the two Colleges.

Skill of Logical Reasoning Phase I, II & III

A programme on 'Skill of logical reasoning' for I B.Ed. – Phase I, II & III was organized as a skill development programme by the career guidance and placement cell of our college. The key focus of this programme is to enhance the reasoning ability of the students to face competitive examinations. Mr. Anbuvanan, Principal and Mrs. D. Nalini, Career counsellor of Dhanalakshmi Hr. Sec. School, Chennai were the resource persons for the programme. The first phase of skill of logical reasoning was held on 27th and 28th October 2023. Mrs. D. Nalini taught many shortcuts and gave many worksheets for the students to solve. The worksheets consist of analogy of letters, words and numbers. Also, problems on the brain teasers, blood relations, family tree, coding and decoding, water images, mirror images and riddles were discussed.



The second phase was held on 03rd & 04th November 2023. Problems on arrangement of words, direction sense, patterns, ranking, and series competition were taught. Also some interesting games like Sudoku, and puzzles were conducted.

The third phase was held on 17th & 18th November 2023 focusing on the topics paper folding, spotting out the embedded figure, Venn diagram, paper cuttings, dice, Venn diagram. The students participated eagerly and were highly appreciated. At the end certificates were distributed to the students.

Skill of Logical Reasoning for II B.Ed.

The Career Guidance and Placement Cell of our college organised a logical reasoning skill development programme for II B. Ed students. The training teaches critical thinking to help people analyse data, make good decisions, and solve complicated situations. It helps with problem-solving and goal-setting, making it crucial for proper decision-making throughout life. Logical thinking improves analytical skills, understanding, and independence. Competitive examinations matter more. Mr. Anbuvanan, Principal

& Coordinator of Dhanalakshmi Hr. Sec. School, Chennai, and Mrs. D. Nalini, Career Counsellor, were programme resources. The first logical reasoning phase occurred 11–13 December 2023. Mrs. D. Nalini gave kids various worksheets and shortcuts. Brain teasers, blood relations, family tree, coding and decoding, water images, mirror images, riddles, word arrangement, direction sense, patterns, ranking, series competitions, suduko, redbus, and puzzles were included in the worksheets. On January 20–22, 2024, the second phase took place. Students learned Paper folding, detecting the embedded figure, Venn diagram, paper cuttings, dice, and Venn diagram. Students eagerly participated and were valued. All students received certificates at the end.



Skill Development Programme

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and Career Guidance and Placement Cell (CGPC) of St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous) organized a comprehensive Skill Development Programme (SDP) on 05th April 2024 for the II year B.Ed students. The event aimed to equip students with essential skills required for their professional and personal growth. Dr. M. Antony Raj, Principal i/c of SXCE, inaugurated the event, highlighting the importance of continuous learning and skill enhancement in the field of education. Dr. A. Michael J Leo, Dean and IQAC Coordinator, elucidated the Dynamics of the Programme. Dr. R. Indra Mary Ezhil Selvi, Assistant Professor & Controller of Examinations at St. Ignatius College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, enlightened the participants on effective teaching methodologies and strategies. Mr. R. Ramkumar, Assistant Professor at Xavier Institute of Business Administration, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai, conducted an engaging session on interview techniques and etiquette. Dr. D. Jockim, Assistant Professor of English & Dean of Arts at St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, provided insights into effective communication strategies and language proficiency. Ms. Suji, Student Counsellor at St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School, Palayamkottai, conducted a session on counselling techniques and interpersonal skills. The programme concluded with a Valedictory Address by Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar, S.J., Secretary of SXCE, who commended the participants for their active participation and encouraged them to apply the skills acquired in their professional endeavors. The Skill

Development Programme proved to be an enriching experience for the students, providing them with practical knowledge and insights to excel in their chosen fields.



Parents Teachers Meeting

The Parents Teachers meeting for the academic year 2023-2024 convened on 19th February 2024 at 9:30 AM in the Fr. Arul Joseph Auditorium. Welcoming the attendees, the Principal, Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander SJ, provided an overview of the college, its ethos, and expectations from parents. Parents then introduced themselves, fostering a sense of community and enabling mutual understanding of their children and family backgrounds. Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar SJ, the college Secretary, imparted blessings, infusing the gathering with a sense of spiritual grace. A sharing cum feedback session followed, during which parents expressed gratitude towards the principal, secretary, teachers, and management for their role in nurturing students across various dimensions. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome SJ, Rector of St. Xavier's institutions, Palayamkottai, delivered an inspiring presidential address. Dr. S. Sherlin, Vice Principal, extended a vote of thanks, acknowledging each and every one who seamlessly support the organization of this event. The whole programme was coordinated by the Vice Principal Dr. S. Sherlin. Subsequently, parents and students were guided to meet with staff members according to the tutor-ward groups to receive the mark statements of their wards.

Manjari – Online Talk Series – 1

Manjari - Online Talk Series serves as a platform designed to offer students opportunities for self-expression, confidence building and the development of essential social skills through various activities. The inaugural event of the Manjari club occurred on 23th February 2024 at 3:00 p.m. via the Zoho app. Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, SJ, the Principal, welcomed all attendees with his words setting a positive tone for the event. The theme for the first event centered on the question "Teachers, Where are you travelling?" The first speaker, Dr. James R Daniel, underscored the importance of being a responsible teacher both in the classroom and in the society. Subsequently, prospective teachers engaged in



discussions with Dr. James regarding the challenges they face in the field of teaching. Finally, Dr. S. Sherlin, Vice-Principal of our college, extended the vote of thanks to conclude this programme.

Manjari – Online Talk Series – 2

The second event of the Manjari online program took place on 22 March 2024, at 3 p.m. via Zoom meeting. Dr. R. Bala Subramanian, Assistant Professor in English, eloquently introduced the day's speaker, highlighting his service in various fields. The esteemed chief guest, Dr. S. Mahadevan, Head of Department and Associate Professor of Tamil at Sadakathullah Appa College, Tirunelveli, emphasized the importance of teachers staying abreast of emerging societal needs during his speech. A fruitful interaction ensued between the students and Dr. S. Mahadevan. Dr. S. Mercy Johanna, the program coordinator, expressed gratitude through a vote of thanks. Overall, the event seems to have provided valuable insights and opportunities for interaction, contributing to the educational experience of the participants.



Manjari – Online Talk Series – 3

The third event of the Manjari online program held on 15th April 2024, at 3:00 p.m. via Google Meet. The speaker of this series-3, Mrs. Sathiyavalli, District Curator of the Govt. Museum in Tirunelveli & Kanyakumari, captivated the audience with insights into the significance of Tamil culture's history and the archaeological artifacts preserved in the museum. She underscored that these artifacts serve as compelling evidence of our rich Tamil heritage. Subsequently, students engaged in an interactive session with the speaker, delving into discussions on historical sites and archaeological findings. S. Mercy Johanna, the program coordinator, extended gratitude to all the students, resource person and technical supports.



Institutional Innovation Cell Regional Meet

St. Xavier's College of Education's Institutional Innovation Cell (IIC) actively participated in the AICTE, New Delhi, Regional Meet at Francis Xavier Engineering College (Autonomous), Tirunelveli, on 24th January 2024. The event allowed



universities and colleges to display their creative projects and share best practices for promoting innovation and entrepreneurship. IQAC Coordinator Dr. A. Michael J Leo and two student representatives represented St. Xavier's College of Education at this important event. As Guest of Honour, Mr. Dipan Sahu, Assistant Innovation Director, Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell, AICTE, Government of India, spoke at the Regional Meet. The IIC of St. Xavier's College of Education exhibited a poster at the Regional Meet highlighting our unique events and projects. Our college uses many unique methods to improve learning and encourage creativity, as shown in the poster. Our college's participation in the Institutional Innovation Cell Regional Meet was a major step towards encouraging innovation and quality.

Visit to Special Schools

Our B.Ed. students paid a visit to the following special schools to get to know the different teaching leaning methods used among the special children and their special problems.

Sl. No.	Name of the School	Date of Visit
1	Florence Swainson Higher secondary school for the deaf	02 Feb 2024 AN
2	Higher Secondary School for the Visually Impaired	05 April 2024 FN
3	Bishop Sargent School for the Intellectually Disabled Children	05 April 2024 AN



An orientation on Digi Locker Creation

An orientation session on Digi Locker Creation was conducted on 11th January 2014 for the first-year B.Ed students at St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai. The session took place from 10:20 am to 11:00 am in the Fr. Arul Joseph Auditorium. Dr. A. Michael J Leo, Dean and IQAC Coordinator of the college, facilitated the session, guiding the students through the process of creating their Digi Locker accounts. Digi Locker is an initiative by the Government of India aimed at digitizing documents and enabling citizens to store and access their important records digitally.

Psychology Experiments

The first-year B.Ed. students of St. Xavier's College of Education actively participated in a series of Psychology experiments conducted on the 20th and 22nd January 2024. Under the coordination of Dr. A. Michael J Leo, Assistant Professor, the 10 experiments aimed to provide students with practical insights into various psychological concepts and phenomena. Each experiment provided students with valuable hands-on experience and practical understanding of fundamental concepts in psychology. Dr. A. Michael J Leo, as the coordinator, ensured the smooth execution of the programme, guiding students through the experiments and facilitating discussions to enhance their learning outcomes. Overall, the Psychology experiments proved to be an enriching and insightful experience for the first-year B.Ed. students, fostering a deeper understanding of psychological principles and their application in educational contexts.



POCSO Act

Our College conducted an informative session on the POCSO Act on April 1st, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. Mr. G. Ganesan, a Child Rights Activist and Lawyer, Consultant CRE Program, Vaan Muhil was the resource person. He explained 'The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences' (POCSO) Act, enacted in 2012, as a crucial piece of legislation in India designed to address the atrocious crime of sexual offenses against children. He provided a detailed explanation of POCSO, delineating its six categories: (i) sexual harassment, (ii) sexual assault, (iii) aggravated sexual assault, (iv) penetrative sexual assault, (v) aggravated penetrative sexual assault, and (vi) child pornography. Further, he appealed as to be cautious and asked us to give awareness to the students. Congrats to Mrs. M. Rosary Kiruba Alexy for her excellent coordination.

Ladder - Effective Teaching

On April 16, 2024, St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous) hosted "LADDER: Effective Teaching Programme" a rewarding event. The programme aimed to give future educators critical teaching skills for their careers. The primary guest was Dhanalakshmi Higher Secondary School Headmaster Mr. Anbuvaran. Dr. M. Antony Raj, principal of St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), gave the presidential address, setting the tone for the informative sessions. The keynote speaker defined "ladder" in the context of successful teaching. He

explained successful teaching methods and the need of a good learning environment. The speaker covered basic, secondary, and higher secondary teaching abilities using fascinating anecdotes and practical examples. The lesson ended with a reflection activity when students were given a questionnaire to identify their linguistic, analytical, logical, spatial, personal, and mechanical interests. Thus, the training helped aspiring teachers improve their pedagogical skills and learn more about teaching. Teaching is complicated, but the event gave theoretical frameworks and practical techniques to traverse it. With overwhelming good comments, the programme ended successfully, equipping participants with the tools and information they need for their education careers.



Scholarships

The following scholarships were offered for our students to help the needy students to continue their studies.

Scholarships Given during the Academic Year 2023-24			
Sl.	Name of the Scholarship	Amount	Beneficiaries
1.	Jesuit Educational Support Scholarship		
	For the 1 st Year students	Rs. 1,30,500/- (IYr.)	23
	For the 2 nd Year students	Rs.1,19,500/- (IIYr.)	22
2.	TN Govt. SC/ST Scholarship from Adi Diravidar & Tribal Welfare office, Tirunelveli		
	For the 1 st Year students	Rs.1,45,191/-	13
	For the 2 nd Year students	Rs. 27,210/-	06

AICUF Programme

The students from All India Catholic University Federation staged a street play on Voting Rights on 19th February 2024 through which they interacted with the students and clarified their doubts.

Parenting Education

An extension lecture on Parenting Education was conducted for II B.Ed. students on 24th February 2024 at 03.00 pm in the Conference Hall. Mrs. Evangeline, II M.Ed. Scholar educated the B.Ed. students on Parenting Education.

Rev. Fr. Utarid library

We are proud to own a well-equipped library. The library currently houses a collection of 23,877 Books,

40 Journals, and 18 Magazines. It has a separate research section for scholars with 896 M.Ed. Dissertations, 987 journals back volumes, 99 National policy document reports and 276 CDs. It is subscribed to the UGC-N-List e-journal consortium for M.Ed. students and research scholars. Many PhD scholars from universities and colleges in Tamil Nadu and Kerala utilize our library resources. Both ground and first floor Xavier Informatics Centre has eighteen PCs and four Kindle e-readers for reading e-books. Reprography and printout facility is also available in our library to cater for the needs of students and staff members.

E-content Creation Centre

E-content development centre offers a wider opportunity to the students and the teacher educators for the creative construction of relevant and innovative e-content materials.

Alumni Activities 2023-2024

Executive Committee Meetings Conducted

Alumni Executive Committee Meetings are essential for maintaining and strengthening the ties between the college and its alumni. The Executive meetings of our Alumni Association have been conducted as follows

Sl. No	Date	Time
1	28 th June 2023	5.30 p.m.
2	24 th August 2023	5.30 p.m.

Nagercoil Alumni/Ae Chapter Meeting Report

The Nagercoil Alumni/ae Chapter Meeting took place on 06th July 2023 from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at Carmel Higher Secondary School in Nagercoil. Mr. A. Maria Susai, President of our Alumni Association welcomed the gathering. The gathering was felicitated by Rev. Fr. Vincent Amalraj, SJ, who also expressed his gratitude and blessings. Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar, SJ, Director of the Alumni Association explained the aims and function of the alumni association, Over 30 of our former students attended the meeting.



Trichy Alumni/Ae Chapter Meeting Report

The Nagercoil Alumni/ae Chapter Meeting took place on 21st July 2023 from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's College Higher Secondary School in Trichy. Rev. Fr. George, SJ, Headmaster, St. Joseph's College Higher Secondary School and Rev. Fr. Ignacy, SJ, Correspondent expressed their gratitude and



blessings. Over 20 of our former students attended the meeting.

Madurai Alumni/ae Chapter Meeting Report

The Madurai Alumni/ae Chapter Meeting took place on 17th October 2023, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Higher Secondary School, Madurai. Rev. Fr. A. Xavier Raj, SJ, Headmaster of St. Mary's Higher Secondary School, Madurai, felicitated the gathering. Over 40 of our former students attended the meeting.



Achievement of Our Alumni

Every year, alumni members of college receive Tamil Nadu State Dr. Radha Krishnan Best Teacher Award. This academic year two of our illustrious alumni got Dr. Radha Krishnan Best Teacher Award from the Government of Tamil Nadu on 05th September 2023 and they will be honored in our Alumni General Body meeting.

The Recipients of Dr. Radha Krishnan Best Teacher Awards of Government Tamil Nadu (2022-2023)

S. No.	Name of the Alumnus	Year of Study (B.Ed.)	Designation
1	Mr. R. Rajamanickam	1992-1993	P.G. Assistant (Physics), St. Joseph's College Higher Sec. School, Chatram Bus Stand, Tiruchirappalli.
2	Mr. P. Prabakarn	2006-2007	Principal Keren Matric Hr. Sec. School, K.puliankulam, Checkanurani, Madurai.

Alumni/ae Qualified in TET/CTET Examinations

As our college is setting a platform to face the competitive examinations like TET/CTET through Career Guidance and Placement Cell, our students become competent enough to qualify those examinations. The following is the list of those qualified candidates in CTET/TET

S.No.	Name of the Alumni	Register No	Batch	Remark
1	Sharmila K	21BE28	2021-2023	Paper 2
2	Jeffrin Jane N	21BM07	2021-2023	Paper 1&2

3	Lisa S	21BM12	2021-2023	Paper 1
4	Sugitha I	21BM22	2021-2023	Paper 1&2
5	Varshini S	21BM25	2021-2023	Paper 1
6	Ameena Nasheha A	21BP02	2021-2023	Paper I
7	Felcia I	21BP10	2021-2023	Paper 1
8	Mariam Shahiba H	21BP19	2021-2023	Paper 1 & 2
9	Shri Janani S	21BP24	2021-2023	Paper 1 & 2

Congratulations to the candidates and we wish them a successful future.

Alumni Scholarship

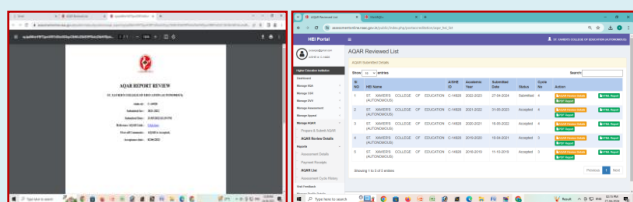
Alumni Association of St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai has given Rs.82,500/- (50,000+32500) as an educational scholarship to our students in the month of May 2023 and April 2024 respectively. The following students have benefited from the alumni scholarship.

S. No.	Number of Beneficiaries	Amount
1.	Eight Second Year Students	Rs. 50,000.00
2.	Seven First Year Students	Rs. 32,500.00
Total		Rs. 82,500.00

Criterion VI: Governance, Leadership and Management

Submission of AQAR

The Annual Quality Assurance Report for 2021-2022 was submitted to NAAC on 31st May 2023 and it was accepted by NAAC on 2nd June 2023 and 2022-2023 was submitted to NAAC on 27th April 2024.



Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA)

The Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) of St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, for the academic year 2023-2024 was conducted on 10th May 2024. The audit was carried out by Dr. A. Veliappan, Associate Professor, Department of Education, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli (Convener), and Tmt. Dr. E.C. Punitha, Associate Professor of English and Dean, St. Ignatius College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai

(Member). They visited all the academic offices, classes and laboratories and verified the functioning of the same. The audit concluded that St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, is excelling in both academic and administrative domains. The institution demonstrates a strong commitment to continuous improvement and educational excellence. The provided recommendations aim to further enhance the quality and effectiveness of the institution's academic and administrative functions.

Thanks Giving Mass

On 03rd May 2023 and 09th May 2024 a holy mass was celebrated to thank God for leading the college throughout the academic year successfully. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., Rector, St. Xavier's Institutions, led the mass.



Holy Spirit Eucharist 2023-2024

The Spirit of God leads the institution all through the year. In this regard, our college celebrated Holy Spirit Mass on 19th July 2023, in the college church. Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., Rector of St. Xavier's Institutes of Palayamkottai was the main celebrant who preached the word of God. The staff and students devotedly participated in the mass. It was a meaningful prayer to begin the new academic year 2023-2024.



The Holy Mass for Vocation

St. Xavier's College of Education had Holy Mass on 12th September 2023. It started at 11.30 am. in Mother Theresa Hall. Rev. Fr. Benitto, S.J., the newly ordained priest and our alumnus, was the main celebrant. Rev. Fr. Benitto, S.J., encouraged the students to set academic and personal goals to be achieved. The Holy Spirit Mass enlarged the space for spiritual journeys and inner joy.



New Year Holy Eucharist – 2024

Our college had New Year Holy Eucharist on 11th January 2024, at 3.30 pm in the college campus. Fr. Kingsley preached the word of God. Fr. Principal Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, SJ said a charismatic prayer and Rev. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, SJ, greeted New Year wishes to all at his final blessings. Rev. Fr Baskar, SJ, Director of Campus Ministry proposed vote of thanks.

Thanks Giving Mass

On 09th May 2024 was celebrated to thank God for leading the college throughout the academic year successfully. Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar, S.J., Secretary, St. Xavier's College of Education, led the mass.

Staff Orientation Programme

Thozhamai Illam, Kanyakumari hosted our college's faculty orientation on 17th and 18th July 2023. Our professors had Morning Coffee at 06.45 am on campus and left for Kanyakumari at 07.00 am. The resource was Rev. Dr. V. Joseph Xavier, SJ of Trichy's St. Joseph's College (Autonomous). The resource person gave a post-pandemic overview of higher education on the first day. He concluded with liquid learning. Jesuit education characteristics and a fifteen-point framework for running a Jesuit school were covered in the next session. After lunch, the 4Cs of Jesuit education—Competence, Conscience, Compassion, and Commitment—were discussed. About the second day of orientation, we had a productive and inspiring conversation about student, parent, and student issues and discussed various remedies. Then the resource person explained higher education professionalism and ethics. Overall, the resource person provided rich content using examples from his time as a college principal and secretary. For every instructor, Dr. A. John Lawrence and Dr. A. Punitha Mary provided input. Dr. V. Henry Jerome, S.J., Rector of St. Xavier's Institutions, Palayamkottai, concluded that the Orientation was effective. The Secretary Rev. Fr. S. Maria Singarayar, S.J., and Principal Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., carefully organised and performed this orientation programme. Faculty appreciated the arrangements.



Three-day online Faculty Development Programme on 'Leveraging AI for Research Process in Social Sciences'

A three-day online Faculty Development Programme (FDP) was organized in collaboration with St. Ann's College of Education (Autonomous) (SACE), Secunderabad, St. Xavier's Institute of Education (Autonomous), Mumbai, and St. Xavier's College of Education, Patna, from 06th to 08th July 2023. St. Ann's College of Education coordinated the program with Dr. Ruma Roy, the IQAC Coordinator, as the organizing secretary. The program was scheduled from 09.30 a.m. - 01.00 p.m. every day. The Keynote Speaker, Prof. Achuthsankar S. Nair,

University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, shared his experiences on 'Emerging Scenario of Research Methodology in the age of AI' in which the pros and cons of AI in the field of education, especially in research, were highlighted. The programme for the three days was conducted as follows

Date	Topic	Resource Person
06 th July 2023	Emerging Approaches in Quantitative Research from an AI Perspective	Prof. Kaushal Kishore, Central University of South Bihar, Bodhgaya, Bihar
	Emerging Approaches in Qualitative Research	Dr. Neha Gupta, Asst. Professor, Amity University, Noida, Uttar Pradesh
07 th July 2023	Harnessing the Technical Potentials of AI in Research Methodology	Dr. Buddha Chandrashekar, Chief Coordinating Officer, AICTE, New Delhi
	Exploring AI tools for effective Research Outcomes	Dr. K. Thiyagu, Assistant Professor, Central University of Kerala, Kerala
	Ethical Practices in Research from AI Perspective	Dr. Rafih Sheikh, Senior Research Coordinator, TISS Mumbai-Centre of Excellence in Teacher Education.
08 th July 2023	Traditional methods and AI methods in Research	Dr. J.V. Madhusudan, Associate Professor, Dept. of Education and Education Technology, Uni. of Hyderabad, Telangana
	The role of AI in the field of education	Dr. Suresh Namboothiri, Entrepreneur, Innovator & Mentor, Espoir Technologies Private Limited, Pune, Maharashtra, India

More than 150 teachers benefited from the programme, which was coordinated by the IQAC Coordinator of SACE, Secunderabad, with the help of the principals and IQAC Coordinators of the other three institutions.

The Education System in Malaysia

A special lecture on 'Education System in Malaysia' was organised by IQAC on 21st July 2023. Dr. M. Priyadarshini, Senior Lecturer, Department of Education, HELP University, Malaysia, and an illustrious alumna of our college was the resource person. She highlighted the salient features of the National Philosophy of Education (NPE) in Malaysia. The five fundamental principles followed in Malaysia were described. She also laid her views on the three types of schools, namely Islam-Malay, Chinese, and Indian communities. Further, she added her perspective on the CEFR curriculum (Common

European Framework) in the school education system. The teacher education system in Malaysia has two options: a 3½ years training program after grade 12th and a 2½ years diploma program after completion of grade 10th (for elementary teacher education). The students thoroughly understood the education system in Malaysia.



Faculty Development Programme

In-House Discussion (Phase – I)

The faculties of teacher education need to update their professional knowledge in terms of educational policies, schemes in higher education, teaching-learning, most recent assessment procedures, and research. To develop these professional orientations and skills among the faculty members, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of our college organized an in-house discussion on the topic ***Introducing Common Syllabus in Higher Education System: An Analysis*** on 31st August 2023 at 03.00 p.m. in the conference hall. **Dr. A. John Lawrence, Associate Professor in English** of our College was the resource person. The resource person explained the preparation of the common syllabus to the higher education institutions, the procedure of implementation, and the core features of new syllabus. The benefits of the new syllabus and the challenges of implementing it were deliberated with the faculty members. In conclusion, the faculty members clarified their doubts and shared their opinions. The discussion was fruitful and joyful.



In-House Discussion (Phase - II)

The faculties of teacher education need to know the recent trends in teacher education and its implementation from time to time. To create awareness of the recent trends in teacher education orientation among the faculty members, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of our college organized an in-house discussion on the topic of ***The Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP)*** on 03rd October 2023 at 02.00 p.m. in the Conference hall. **Dr. M. Antony Raj, Associate Professor in History** of our College was the resource person. The resource person explained the concept of



integration and teacher education and the origin of integrated teacher education programme. Further, the norms, regulations, and multi-disciplinary environment of the ITEP as per the NCTE regulations were deliberated by the resource person in the forum. The Curriculum, implementing strategies and programme alternatives were discussed by the faculty members. In conclusion, the faculty members clarified their doubts, shared their opinion and responded to the Google Form scrutinizing the attitude towards ITEP. The discussion was fruitful and pleasant.

In-House Discussion (Phase – III)

A progressive society would continuously attempt to bring about changes in the existing educational system for the future. The role of the educator in this process is significantly important. Keeping this idea in mind, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of our college organized an in-house discussion on the topic ***Educate: A Unique Education Policy for Tamil Nadu to Promote Social Equity*** on 28th October 2023 at 10.00 a.m. in the Conference Hall. **Dr. R. Chrithudoss Gandhi, IAS, Former Additional Chief Secretary of the Government of Tamil Nadu**, was the resource person. A group of experts, along with the resource person, presented the key features of this alternative educational system. It is about conceptually localizing the educational system and administering it by local bodies, alternative reservation policies, educational preferences, and the curriculum. The resource person addressed the questions posed by the other participants and faculty members.

In-House Discussion (Phase – IV)

The recent updates and announcements made by the agencies of higher education in terms of accreditation, frameworks, curriculum transactions, student supportive measures, and evaluation need to be addressed and discussed among the teachers and teacher educators who are the torchbearers of this system. Keeping this idea in mind, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of our college organized an in-house discussion on the topic of ***Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) in Higher Education Institutions*** on 28th October 2023 at 02.00 p.m. in the Conference Hall. **Dr. A. Punitha Mary, Director of Bonhoure PG and Research Department of Education & Assistant Professor in Education**, St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, was the resource person. The portal of the Academic Bank of Credits, the crediting earning methods, credit transferring, and its underlying conditions were explained. The discussion on the above topics was initiated, and the clarifications were done by the resource person. Finally, it was decided to register in the portal of the Academic Bank of Credits.

In-House Discussion (Phase- V)

In-House Discussion - Phase V on Institutional Innovative Cell was held by St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai's Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC). The IQAC Coordinator, Dr. A. Michael J Leo, led the programme and provided discussion resources. It happened on 05th February 2024 at 03:30 p.m. in the college Conference Hall. The In-House Discussion discussed creating and running a collegiate Institutional Innovative Cell. The event encouraged professors to discuss the cell's role in fostering innovation and creativity at the university. Dr. A. Michael J. Leo, the resource person, began the talk by explaining Institutional Innovative Cells and their importance in higher education. He stressed the importance of encouraging innovation and entrepreneurship to meet education and societal requirements. The conversation covered building and running an Institutional Innovative Cell, including its structure, functions, and potential partnerships with external stakeholders. Faculty shared their knowledge, experiences, and ideas for establishing and maintaining such a cell in the college. The In-House Discussion allowed stakeholders to discuss and plan for an Institutional Innovative Cell at St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai. Participants were enthusiastic about establishing a culture of innovation and quality at the school, which aligns with its academic excellence and societal impact aims.

In-House Discussion (Phase- VI)

In-house discussion No.6 was held on 01st March 2024 in Mother Teresa Hall at 3.45 pm. Dr. Y. Daniel, Assistant Professor was the resource person. He delivered a keynote address on Institutional Development Plans (IDPs). After a fruitful discussion, the event ended at 5.00 pm.

Faculty Exchange Programme

Knowledge gained through various resources would enhance the understanding of the subject matter. Accessing various human resources and exchanging ideas would be a great experience for the teacher educator and teacher trainees. Hence, the IQAC of St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous) and St. Ignatius College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, organized from 03rd to 09th October 2023 a Faculty Exchange Programme on the Course Philosophical Foundations of Education. The faculty members of St. Ignatius College of Education (Autonomous), **Dr. J. Maria Prema and Rev. Sr. S. Arul Suganthi Agnes**, have taken classes on the '*Philosophical foundations of education*' for our students. Simultaneously, our faculty members, Dr. Y. Daniel, Mrs. M. Rosary Kiruba Alexy and Rev. Fr. A. Loyola S.J., were the resource persons to the students of St. Ignatius College of Education

(Autonomous), Palayamkottai. Mutual benefits among the students were ensured during this programme organized under the MoU between the two colleges. The appreciation certificates were given to the respective professors by both the institutions.



National Education Policy (NEP) 2020

A seminar on NEP 2020 was organized by the IQAC of our College on 14th November 2023 at 02.00 p.m. Rev. Fr. Y. Baskar, SJ, and Mrs. K. Evangeline Arulmary, the II year M.Ed. students were the resource persons. All the I year B.Ed. student teachers were the beneficiaries. The first part of the session dealt with the historical background of the Education Policies in India and second part of the session delivered the salient features of NEP 2020. The doubts and clarifications were clearly addressed by the resource persons.

Retreat

Through campus ministry and retreats, St. Xavier's College of Education offers spiritual formation to faculty and students. The campus ministry team held a one-day retreat for staff and students on March 23, 2024. Fr. Stalin, SJ addressed the staff, Fr. Jesu Raja and Fr. Arul ministered to Christians, and Fr. Kingsley and Fr. Divyanantham ministered to non-Christians. At the staff had their retreat at St. Antony's Church in Puliampatti, Fr. Stalin, SJ led two sessions on Jesus' uniqueness. Staff prepared for confession in the afternoon, and the retreat ended with a memorable Mass. Secretary Fr. Maria Singarayar, S.J. accompanied the staff. The retreat ended with tea and pastries at 4:00 pm. Thank you to the campus ministry team for their careful retreat planning and implementation.



Criterion VII: Institutional Values and Best Practices

1. MOTESC
2. Visit to ARCH
3. Field Visits
4. Teacher of the Month
5. In-House Discussions and Research
6. Manjari: An online Talk series
7. Faculty Exchange Programmes

Conclusion

Teacher education serves as the cornerstone of all educational disciplines, for it imparts the knowledge needed to mold the future teachers who, in turn, hold the destiny of the nation in their hands. With the advent of science and technology, there is a global paradigm shift in teacher education. Teacher education in India has also entered a new phase. St. Xavier's College of Education stands confidently ready to embrace and surmount the evolving challenges brought forth by these changes.

For 74 years, our college has been nurturing future teachers to become not only knowledgeable but also compassionate individuals. We prioritize holistic development, ensuring our students thrive academically, understand society, maintain physical and emotional well-being, and discover inner peace. Our doors are open to students from diverse backgrounds, especially those from rural and disadvantaged communities, providing them with a supportive environment. Education in our college goes beyond learning; it's about empathy and creating a brighter tomorrow. We regularly update our curriculum to equip our students with the necessary knowledge, skills, and attitudes to excel as teachers, both inside and outside the classroom. We strive for excellence, encouraging our professors to be adaptable and committed to serving their students and society with integrity.

I thank the Almighty for bestowing His continuous blessings upon our esteemed institution. It brings me immense joy to extend my sincere appreciation to all the dedicated teaching and administrative staff of our college. Your unwavering support, commitment, and enthusiasm for fulfilling various responsibilities with the utmost dedication have played a pivotal role in elevating our college to its esteemed status. I am confident that with your continued support and dedication, our institution will continue to flourish and uphold its reputation in the years to come.

May God Bless You. Thank You.

“Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime”.

- **Maimonides**

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Quality is never an accident; it is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction and skillful execution; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives.

- **William A. Foster**