



The TNOU

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CELEBRATION OF PONGAL FESTIVAL

In Tamilnadu, the **Pongal (Harvest Festival)** is considered as an important and common festival of the State, as it is fully related to the farming community and its rich culture. In order to encourage the celebrations, the Educational Institutions and the Government Departments used to observe “**Samathuva Pongal**” in the eve of pongal festival. Accordingly, the Tamil Nadu Open University celebrated the Pongal Festival on 14.01.2020 in the University campus. While all the members of staff participated in the celebration with great enthusiasm, the female staff members got involved in the preparation of pongal in a traditional way in front of the Administrative Block. Prof.K.Parthasarathy, the Vice-Chancellor graced the occasion as the Chief-Guest.

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A righteous deed deserves to be done; an evil deed ought to be avoided to protect oneself from infamy

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THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE

VANAKKAM

It gives me immense pleasure in releasing the second issue of **The TNOU Newsletter** that contains the activities of the University during January- June, 2020.

As you know, the entire world is in pandemic crisis owing to COVID-19. In India, the nation-wide lockdown has been initially imposed in the last of week of March 2020 and continues till now. The teachers, parents and the students of all types of classes were worried about the teaching-learning that was not able to take place on campus because of the prevailed lockdown. But, these worries were easily set-right with the help of the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) that has been massively used to make the teaching-learning without any hindrance during the pandemic period.

The ODL Institutions that have been transacting its teaching at a distance is capable to tackle this situation easily. Now, the whole education system opts for Distance Education, as an alternative mode.

I am happy to state that the University has been digitally functioning and serving the stakeholders effectively,

despite the lockdown. The University has got involved in overhauling the existing Curricula of various Programmes for making them suitable for the current scenario. The meetings of the Boards of Studies were conducted through virtual mode and subsequently the minutes of the meetings were placed to the Academic Council.

I have also learned that my faculty members have actively participated in the various national and international programmes that were conducted online during the lockdown period. Moreover, the Schools of Studies have also organised the webinars and online training programmes using the technology effectively. In this context, I express my deep sense of appreciations to the Editorial Board of **The TNOU Newsletter** for consolidating the activities of the University and presenting them vividly.

I wish you all keep safe and healthy!

with warmest regards
Prof. K. Parthasarathy



A good family person is one who supports all three relationships (parents, wife, children) in a balanced and righteous manner.

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UNIVERSITY'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CELEBRATION OF 71ST REPUBLIC DAY

The 71st Republic Day of our nation was celebrated at the University premises on 26.01.2020. Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor hoisted the tri-colour National Flag on the mast in front of the Administrative Block. Almost all the teaching and administrative Staff joined in the celebration.

A good family person also extends support
to saints, poor and needy.

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HON'BLE CHIEF-MINISTER UNVEILING THE NEW BUILDINGS

Hon'ble Thiru.Edappadi K.Palaniswami, the Chief-Minister of Tamilnadu declared open the additional floors constructed on the Academic Block and the Material Production and Distribution Division (MPDD) in the University through Video-conferencing on 30.01.2020 from the Secretariat.

Thiru K. P. Anbalagan, Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education and Selvi. Apoorva, I.A.S, Principal Secretary to Department of Higher Education, Government of Tamil Nadu graced the function. After the buildings were digitally unveiled by the Chief-Minister, Prof. K. Parthasarathy, the Vice-Chancellor, TNOU formally entered the newly opened buildings along with the members of staff of the University.



The Vice-Chancellor cutting the ribbon as entering the newly constructed building



The Vice-Chancellor lighting the auspicious lamp



Teachers, God, guests, relatives and oneself – it is important to nurture all these five in addition to the family.

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ANTI-UNTOUCHABILITY PLEDGE

An anti-untouchability pledge was taken in the University on 30.01.2020 in view of observing the death anniversary of the father of our nation, Mahatma Gandhi. Prof.K. Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor administered the pledge to his employees.



The Vice-Chancellor administering the pledge and the members of staff taking the pledge

IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

To ensure good governance and strategic functioning, the revived Academic and Administrative Structure was implemented in pursuance of the Syndicate's approval and subsequently office orders were issued to the respective Faculties, Schools and Divisions on 28.02.2020, along with the nominations of Faculty Chairpersons, Directors of the Schools and Divisions individually.

PREPARATION FOR NAAC ACCREDITATION

As the University is effectively embarking on for applying for the NAAC Accreditation, it has constituted a High Level Committee and a Working Committee to prepare the mandatory Self-Study Report (SSR). Accordingly, the Working Committee has prepared two drafts of the SSR and presented them in the presence of the Vice-Chancellor. Once the normalcy returns, the University shall submit the SSR to the National Assessment and Accreditation Council.



One who earns well but avoids the blame of hoarding wealth,
by philanthropy, will lead a complete life with no complaints.

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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION



The International Women's Day is celebrated throughout the world to honour the contributions of women for the development of family, society and nation at large. The Tamil Nadu Open University that has been largely providing higher education to women and deprived people, made significant efforts to make the celebrations of the day in a distinct and meaningful manners with series of events.



The TNOU Women Cell celebrating the IWD at the Old Age Home

Visit to Old Age Home:

The members of the Women's Day Celebration Committee visited 'Charu Old Age Home for Women' run by "Jesus the Way Trust" on 05.03.2020. There were forty five inmates, who shared their life's experiences and exhibited their talents. The coordinator of the home, Mrs. Jannet gave a brief introduction about the programme. As requested by the coordinator, blankets, fruits and biscuits were distributed to all the inmates of the home freely.

Debate on "Women's Status in the Past and Present"

To sensitize the present status of women including their safety, a **Pattimantram** (debate) was conducted on 06.03.2020, on the theme "Whether the status of women is better in the past or in the present". Teaching and non teaching staff of TNOU participated in the event with enthusiasm and Prof. M.V.Sudhakaran, Director, School of Social Sciences served as the judge.



A speaker addressing in the pattimantram



If love and virtue pervade the family life, they become the characteristic and fruit of the family life.

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One Minute Silence for the Victims of COVID-19:

Most of the countries of the world are fighting against the Corona Virus and the World Health Organisation (WHO) is also making the significant initiatives to spread awareness on the precautionary measures. The virus has also caused the huge loss of lives across the globe. In view of this, the University employees observed a one-minute silence for the victims of Corona Virus. Further, the University made an inimitable effort to sensitize the employees about the infectious Corona virus and necessary precautionary measures.

Health Camp:

A general Health Camp for the women employees of TNOU was also organized on 06.03.2020 in collaboration with the Venkateswara Hospitals, Chennai and the TNOU Health Centre. Diabetes and general screening were done for seventy women employees including, teaching, non-teaching and outsourced staff.



The doctors checking up the health condition of the women staff of the University



The Committee members with the TNOU Health Centre Staff



Walkathon:

A walkathon was conducted to mark the International Women's Day and to create awareness on the physical and mental well being of women employees on 07.03.2020. Forty five teaching and non teaching staff participated in it with great enthusiasm.



The Women staff gathering to begin the walkathon

Special Lectures:

Finally, the University celebrated International Women's Day in a grand manner with special lectures by eminent women celebrities on 08.03.2020 in the Conference Hall of TNOU. Hon'ble Vice -Chancellor, Dr. K. Parthasarathy presided over the function and he also insisted that women should take care of their physical and mental fitness to develop a healthy and productive society.

Dr. V. Vaidehi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal delivered the Women's Day address. During her address, she emphasised the importance of education in uplifting women and also to attain equality.

Dr. I. Jayanthi, Judicial Magistrate and Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Chennai, while delivering the special address, indicated that everyone in the society irrespective of gender, should be familiar with women's rights and legislations related to women welfare.

Dr. Y. Saradha, Professor in the Department of Mathematics at Anna University, Chennai and the Syndicate member of Tamil Nadu Open University, cited the contributions of Women since time immemorial and the role of women in a nation's development.

As a part of celebrations, Cultural programmes were also performed by the TNOU employees, learners, cultural team and students of the Little Flower School for Special Children.

The TNOU Women Cell along with the constituted Celebration Committee organised the International Women's Day 2020 in a grand manner.



One who leads a normal and intimate family life,
is far ahead of those who seek other priorities.

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The Vice-Chancellors of TNOU and MTWU and other dignitaries on the dias



The Cultural troupe performing a one-act play



The Cultural troupe performing a one-act play



If one lives by the right virtues and assists others to do the same, such a family life is better than the penance of saints

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S MAJOR PROGRAMMES

The following are some of the major outside participations by Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor, TNOU during January-June, 2020:

- Participated in the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) South Zone Vice-Chancellors' Meet 2019-2020 on "Promoting Research, Innovation and Excellence in Indian Universities" jointly organised by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) and the Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education (NICHE), Kumaracoil, Tamil Nadu on 06.01.2020
- Participated in THINKEDU CONCLAVE conducted by The Indian Express Group, Chennai at ITC Grand Chola, Guindy, Chennai on 08.01.2020
- Delivered the Graduation Day Address at J.J. College of Arts and Science, Pudukkottai on 10.01.2020
- Inaugurated the National Seminar on "Educational and Skill Enhancement for Human Resource Development" organised by the Department of Adult & Continuing Education, University of Madras, Chennai on 23.01.2020
- Offered the Valedictory Address in the Workshop on "New Trends in Folklore" at Dwaraka Doss Goverdhan Doss Vaishnav College, Chennai on 31.01.2020
- Delivered the Presidential Address in the Achievers' Day of Padmavani Educational Institutions for Women, Salem on 08.02.2020
- Offered the Convocation Address and conferred the Degrees to the graduates in Indira Gandhi Jayanthi Women's Arts & Science College on 12.02.2020
- Delivered the Convocation Address at Aringnar Anna Government Arts College, Villupuram on 13.02.2020
- Gave a Special Lecture in "Promoting wellbeing of the students through the comprehensive mental health care system and thereby achieve excellence" at MS Chellamuthu Trust & Research Foundation, Madurai on 17.02.2020
- தலைமையுரை, தாப்மொழி நாள் விழா- தமிழ்நாடு திறந்தநிலைப் பல்கலைக்கழகம், தமிழியல் பண்பாட்டுப் புலம் மற்றும் தேசிய சிந்தனைக் கழகம், சென்னை-21.02.2020
- Delivered the Convocation Address at Queen Mary's College, Chennai on 27.02.2020
- Offered the Convocation Address at Anna Adarsh College for Women, Chennai on 13.03.2020
- Attended the online meeting with all Open University Vice-Chancellors on 'Reforms of Draft SSR of NAAC' on 18.03.2020
- Attended the Expert Committee meeting to integrate ODL and Online Regulations- UGC- MHRD- 22.04.2020 through virtual platform



ACTIVITIES OF THE FACULTIES

FACULTY OF ARTS

HISTORY AND TOURISM STUDIES

- The School of History and Tourism Studies conducted a Seven Day Workshop on “Recent Trends in Social Science Research” Statistical Analysis and Interpretation by Statistical Package for Social Science (SPSS) & Analysis of Moments Structure (AMOS)” between 09th and 15th March, 2020 for the Research Scholars of TNOU.
- While Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor, TNOU delivered the presidential address, Prof. N. Panchanathan, Vice-Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai served as the Chief-Guest and inaugurated the Workshop. Prof. R. Ramanan, Regional Joint Director, Collegiate Education, Chennai, offered the Valedictory address and Prof. P. Thiyagarajan, Registrar i/c graced the occasion.



Dr. N.Dhanalaskhmi addressing the gathering in the presence of the Vice-Chancellor and the Chief-Guest



The Participants and the Faculty Members during the inauguration of the Workshop

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER:

DR. E. INIYAN

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- Quiz Programme on Indian History- Dharmapuram Athinam Arts College, Mayiladudurai on 14.05.2020

Special Lecture:

- Role of Media in Archaeological Research in India and E.Journals in Archaeological Studies on 01.05.2020



SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND NEW MEDIA STUDIES

- The School of Journalism and New Media Studies organized a three day online Capacity Building Workshop in collaboration with Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA), New Delhi on “e-Content Development using OER and ICT” to the TNOU staff members from 4th to 6th May 2020.
- Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor presided over the workshop and the Registrar i/c welcomed the participants. Dr. P. Chitra, Assistant Professor, organized the event successfully. This Workshop gave fruitful results of the applications E-Content development and ICT to the ODL learners.



Dr. P. Chitra addressing in the presence of the Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar (i/c)

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

DR.P.CHITRA

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR (i/c)

Participation:

- Digital tools for Teaching at Annamalai University from 12th to 18th May 2020
- 3 day online workshop on “Online Course Design, Development and Delivery” organized by Human Resource Development Centre, University of Hyderabad from 29th to 31st, May 2020

Special Lecture:

- “Soft Skill Training for Police Performance” organised by CEMCA, 27th-29th Febraury 2020 in Tiruchirappalli

DR.C.KARTHIKEYAN

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- E-Content Development using OER and ICT at Tamil Nadu Open University from 04th to 6th May 2020



A spouse who possesses virtues required for the family and spends within the means is the ideal life partner.

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SCHOOL OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

- To ensure academic honesty and quality in higher education, the TNOU makes it compulsory that all the Faculty Members and the Research scholars to use plagiarism check available at the University Library for their research works. In this regard, the School of Library and Information Science organized a Web Training Programme on URKUND (Anti-plagiarism) for the faculty members of TNOU on 29.02.2020.



ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

Mrs. S.SAKILA

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN

Participation:

- Online Workshop on “Research Management Tools and Online Citation Database”- Indian Academic Researchers Association (IARA) from 19th to 21st April 2020.
- Online Awareness Quiz on “World Intellectual Property Rights Day- Sonopant Dandekar Arts, V.S.Apte Commerce & M.H.Mehta Science College. Palghar on 26th April 2020.
- Webinar on “Education World after Corona”- Noble Group of Institution.Junagadh on 14th May 2020
- Online COVID-19 Library and Information Science Quize-2 organised by Tamil Nadu Librarians on 14th May 2020
- Webinar on “Role of Metrics & Altmetrics on Research and Society” conducted by Odisha Library Academy on 16th May 2020.



If your spouse doesnt possess the virtues needed for married life,
whatever else you possess in life is irrelevant.

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FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER

DR. M.V. SUDHAKARAN

PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR

Special Lecture:

- Delivered Valedictory address in the National Conference at Dr.MGR Janaki College of Arts & Science for Women, Chennai on 03.01.2020

Publication:

- "Influence of digital revolution of Indian education system" - International Journal of Indian Psychology - Vol 8, issue 1, March 2020, ISBN: 2348-5396

SCHOOL OF POLITICS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER

DR. R. ARUMUGAM

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR (i/c)

Participation:

- Orientation Programme (Batch –140) at University Grants Commission- Human Resource Development Centre (UGC-HRDC) University of Madras.

Publication:

- "Challenges and Strategies of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) - International Conference on SAARC Countries Relationships with India Policies Challenges and strategies" organized by School of Management Studies, Kongu Engineering College, Erode with the Sponsorship of Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi on 31.01.2020

FACULTY OF SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF SCIENCES



Dr.T.Ravimanickam delivering the special lecture

The School of Sciences and the Environment Cell jointly organised an Awareness Creation Programme on "Corona Virus and Preventive Measures" at the University premises on 16.03.2020. The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. K. Parthasarathy presided over the programme. Dr. T Ravimanickam, Associate Professor, SOS delivered the keynote address about the preventive measure of COVID-19. The members of staff of the University participated in the event.





The Vice-Chancellor addressing the gathering

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

DR. T. RAVIMANICKAM

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR (i/c)

Participation:

- A One Day NAAC Awareness Programme (NAP) held at NAAC – Bengaluru on 27.01.2020
- International Level COVID-19 Pandemic Webinar on Functional Novel Materials for Electrochemical Sensors and Energy Storage Devices- Thiagarajar College, Madurai on 15th May 2020
- Entrepreneurial Challenges & Opportunities- Rathinam College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore on 20th May 2020

Publication:

- “The study on causes of male infertility” at International Conference on Challenges to Environment and Health- Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli on 30.01.2020
- Biological composition of the sea weeds – Padina gymnospora, Turbinaria ornata and Sargassum wighth of the Rameswaram coast- International Conference on Challenges to Environment and Health- Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli on 30.01.2020

Special Lecture

- Corona Virus & Preventive Measures at Three day awareness Programme Series conducted by Institute of Advanced Study in Education, Chennai on 12.03.2020

DR. P. SHANMUGAVELAN

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- Participated in the two weeks FDP on ‘Managing Online Classes and Co-creating MOOCs- Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, Delhi during 16-04-2020 - 06-05-2020
- Participated in the one week National level FDP on ‘Innovation to Academicians’- Ramachandra College of Engineering, Vatloru, Elluru during 11-05-2020 -16-05-2020
- Participated in the three days National level FDP on ‘Online College Management and Online Content Creation Tools’- Lala Lajpat Raj College, University of Mumbai between 30-04-2020 and 02-05-2020
- Participated in the one day FDP on ‘What is Patent ? & How to Read it ?’ Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur on 14-05-2020



- Participated in the one day FDP on 'Examinations in wake of COVID-19'.- Patrician College of Arts and Science, Chennai on 08-05-2020
- Participated in the national level Webinar on 'Chemistry behind MRI Contrast Agent' Cauvery College for Women, Trichy on 04-05-2020
- Participated in the national level Webinar on 'Social Intelligence In Classrooms'- Sri Sarada Niketan College of Science for Women on 13-05-2020
- Participated in the International level Webinar on 'Pursuing Academic Research'- Rathinam College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore on 15-05-2020
- Participated in the International Webinar on 'Biosensors'- Dept. of Chemistry, St.Paul's College, Kalamassery on 13-05-2020
- Participated in the online lecture on 'A Systematic Approach towards Molecular Docking and Drug Design'- Dept. of Chemistry, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Ramapuram Chennai on 15-05-2020
- Participated in the Webinar on 'Green Chemistry and Green Engineering – A Unique Solution of Industrial Disasters'- Kings College of Engineering, Pudukkottai on 17-05-2020
- Participated in the three days Webinar on 'Future of Entrepreneurship and Employment Opportunities'- Nehru Institute of Technology, Coimbatore from 13-15 May, 2020.
- Participated in the International Webinar on 'Functional Novel Materials for Electrochemical Sensors and Energy Storage Devices'- Dept. of Chemistry, Thiagarajar College, Madurai on 13-05-2020

DR. E. KUMAR

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- "Social Intelligence in Class Room" organised by Sri Saradha Niketan College of science for women, Karur on 13-05-2020
- "E-Content Preparation-Finding Copy Writing Free Images and Sounds" Posted by Loyola College of Education, Chennai on 13 May, 2020
- Two Day online FDP program on "Research Trends in Nanoscience-organised by R.M.D. Engineering College, Kavaraipettai, Chennai on 13 and 14th May 2020
- Webinar on "Micro & Nanotechnology and its Applications" organised by G.T.N. Arts College (Autonomous), Dindugal on 14.05.2020
- "Benchmark on Research" conducted by Loyola College of Education, Chennai on 15.05.2020
- "Functional Novel Materials For Electrochemical Sensors And Energy Storage Devices" Posted by Thiagaraja College, Madurai and MING CHI university of Technology Taiwan on 15.05.2020
- "ICT for Effective Physics Teaching, Learning & Evaluation" conducted by Stella Maris College (Autonomous) Chennai on 18.05.2020
- "Webinar on "Super Capacitors: New Age Energy Storage Devices" organised by Ayya Nadar Janaki Ammal College, Sivakasi on 19.05.2020
- Assessment and Accreditation as a measure of Internal Quality in HEI's posted by Logantha Narayanasamy Government College (Autonomous) Ponneri on 19-05-2020
- One Week Faculty Development Programme on "Insights into Quality Research and Innovation" conducted by Vivekanandha College of Engineering for Women and from 13th to 20th May, 2020
- International Webinar on "Materials for Energy, Environment and Health Care Applications" organized by The Gandhigram Rural University, Dindugal on 21.05.2020

DR. K. KATTURAJAN

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- Participation in the Webinar on 'Social Intelligence in Class Room' conducted by Sri Sarada Niketan College of Science for Women on 13.05.2020.



DR. R. PRAGADHEESWARI

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- Refresher Course in Home Science at UGC-HRDC, Madurai Kamaraj University from 5th to 18th February, 2020

SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

ER. N. SIVASHANMUGAM

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR (i/c)

Participation:

- Webinar on “Development of Micro sensors and their Applications Using Artificial Intelligence” organised by Amity University, Madhya Pradesh on May 08, 2020

DR. R. KALAIARASI

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- Innovative Strategies in Everyday Classroom Teaching / Learning of Languages- Bharathiar University Arts and Science College, Pollachi on 16th May, 2020.
- International level COVID-19 Webinar on “Functional Novel Material for Electrochemical Sensors and Energy Storage Devices” conducted by Thiagarajar College, Madurai and Ming Chi University of Technology, New Taipei City, Taiwan on 15th May 2020.

FACULTY OF INDIAN AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES

SCHOOL OF TAMIL AND CULTURAL STUDIES

The Department of Tamil Development, Government of Tamil Nadu and the School of Tamil and Cultural Studies jointly organized the Official Language Implementation Training Programme for TNOU staff during 27-28 January, 2020. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof.K.Parthasarathy inaugurated the Training Programme and Dr.K.Vijayaragavan, Director, Tamil Development Department, Government of Tamil Nadu delivered the Special Address.



The Vice-Chancellor and other dignitaries lighting the auspicious lamp



The Vice-Chancellor honouring the Judge with a shawl

On 21.02.2020, the World Mother Tongue Day was observed in the University premises, while Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof.K.Parthasarathy presided over, Justice T.N. Vallinayagam, Lok Adalat, Madras High Court, Chennai offered the Inaugural Address. Dr.M.Muthuvelu, Member- Sate Commission for Official Language delivered the Special Address and Sh.M.K.C.Rajendran, State Coordinating Secretary from Desia Sinthanai Kazhakam offered the felicitation.





The Vice-Chancellor and other dignitaries lighting the auspicious lamp



A book being released by the Vice-Chancellor

Prof.S.Balasubramanian, Professor and Director, Dr.M.Vaiyapuri, and Dr. S.Aranganathan, Assistant Professors, School of Tamil and Cultural Studies organized the Programme. Dr.T. Lallitha, Joint Director, Tamil Development Department made the arrangements for the programme.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

DR. S. BALASUBRAMANIAN

PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR

Participation:

- NAAC - Assessors' Orientation Programme at National Assessment and Accreditation Council, Bengaluru during 23th & 24th January 2020
- 67th Meeting of the Sahitya Akademi's Tamil Advisory Board at the office of Sahitya Akademi, Chennai on 26.01.2020
- Sahitya Akademi's - General Council Meeting & Annual Festival of Sahitya Akademi, in New Delhi from 21 to 29.02.2020
- பட்டமளிப்பு விழா மாண்புமிகு வேந்தர் பிரதிநிதி கல்வியவை உறுப்பினர் தமிழ்நாடு ஆசிரியர் கல்வியியல் பல்கலைக்கழகம், சென்னை, 05.02.2020

Publication:

- Ethnic History writing through So. Tharman's Novels and Stories. Symposium & Discussion writings of Cho. Dharman, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. 27.02.2020
- மால்கம் என்ற நெடுங்கொடையாளர், தினமணி நாளிதழ், 19.04.2020
- புத்தகங்கள் விரிக்கும் தனிமைச் சிறகு, தினமணி நாளிதழ், 10.05.2020
- உலகைத் திறந்த பத்துப் புத்தகங்கள், தினமணி நாளிதழ், 25.04.2020

Special lecture:

- Special lecture on 'Maanudam Potrum Prabanjan Padaipugal' at Prabanjan Foundation on 30.04.2020
- National Webinar on "Empowering Teachers for Technology Enhanced Classroom" at TN Teachers Education University, Chennai on 09.05.2020
- National Webinar on "Moving Assessments online – lessons learned" at Association of Commonwealth Universities on 12.05.2020
- National Webinar on managing a research office in Lockdown' Association of Commonwealth Universities on 20.05.2020
- சர்வதேச அருங்காட்சியக தினச் சிறப்பு இணையவழிக் கருத்தரங்கம், கடிகை - தமிழ்மரபு முதன்நிலை இணையக்கல்விக் கழகம்

DR. M. VAIYAPURI

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- Online Quiz Programme for creating awareness on Open and Distance Learning (ODL) conducted by School of Education, Tamil Nadu Open University on 20.05.2020



Is it of any use to possess women by imposing physical barriers?
A woman will remain virtuous only on her own volition.

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DR. S. ARANGANATHAN

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- ஆசிரியர் வளர்திறன் மேம்பாட்டுப் பயிற்சி, நல்லமுத்துக் கவுண்டர் மகாலிங்கம் கல்லூரி, மற்றும் மசிவன் பதிப்பகம், 15.05.2020 - 17.05.2020
- Covid – 19 Vaccine Development posted by Ayya Nadar Janaki Ammal College, Sivakasi 15.05.2020
- இணைய வழி கருத்தரங்கம், வளமான நாடு அதில் உங்கள் பங்களிப்பு, அரசு மகளிர் கல்லூரி, கரூர், 10.05.2020
- இணைய வழி கருத்தரங்கம், - எண்ணங்களே ஏணிப்படிகள், அரசு மகளிர் கல்லூரி, கரூர், 15.05.2020
- இணையவழி சான்றிதழ் படிப்பு, தமிழில் தூது இலக்கியங்கள் மொழித்துறை, ஸ்ரீராமகிருஷ்ணா கலை அறிவியல் கல்லூரி, 1.05.2020 - 3.05.2020
- இணையவழி ஆசிரியர் திறன்மேம்பாட்டுப் பயிற்சி நிகழ்த்துக்கலை பார்வையாளரும் பயிற்சியும், பெட்ரிசியன் கலை அறிவியல் கல்லூரி, சென்னை, 14.05.2020

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER

DR.R.MAHENDRAN

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR (i/c)

Participation:

- Restructuring of the Curriculum for Under Graduate Students of all Arts & Science Colleges in Tamil Nadu organised by Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education(TNSCHE), Chennai on 06.03.2020

Speacil Lecture:

- Delivered a special lecture on “Possible Methods of Teaching and Learning in a Disasstrous/Pandemic Outbreak Situaion” in Faculty Development Programme on “Pedagogical Methods Suitable For A Pandemic Situation: A Webinar Series” organised by Nallamuthu Goundar Mahalingam College, Pollachi and Erode Arts and Sceince College, Erode on 29.05.2020

FACULTY OF EXTENSION EDUCATION

SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

DR. P. THIYAGARAJAN

PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR

Participation:

- NAAC - Assessors' Orientation Programme at National Assessment and Accreditation Council, Bengaluru during 23-24 January, 2020

ER. R. MEENAMBIGAI

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- “Technology Enabled Learning (TEL) – MOOC”-COL & conducted by Athabasca University, Canada from 05.04.2020 to 09.05.2020
- “Online Course on Community-University Engagement: Moving Towards Engaged Teaching, Research” posted by ACU & PRIA International Academy, New Delhi from 18.05.2020 to 22.05.2020



If a woman gets a spouse with great character,
she will enjoy the glory of heaven on earth.

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- 5 day National Level Online Course on “Research Methodology”- posted by Mar Gregorios College of Arts & Science, Chennai 19.05.2020 to 23.05.2020
- SWAYAM – ARPIT Refresher Course on “Skills for New Educational Architecture”- AICTE & MHRD, Govt. of India

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

DR. M. MANIVANNAN

PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR

Participation:

- NAAC - Assessors' Orientation Programme at National Assessment and Accreditation Council, Bengaluru during 23-24 January 2020

DR. K.S.RAMAKRISHNAN

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Special Lecture:

- Research Tools & Sampling- Workshop on Recent Trends in Social Sciences Research SPSS & AMOS conducted by SOHTS, TNOU from 09-03-2020 to 15-03-2020
- Qualitative & Quantitative Research- Workshop on Recent Trends in Social Sciences Research SPSS & AMOS conducted by SOHTS, TNOU from 09-03-2020 to 15-03-2020

DR.C. BARATHI

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- Descriptive statistics: A tool for Education Research by conducted by Tamil Nadu Teacher Education University, Chennai on 11-05-2020
- Social Intelligence in Class Room organized by Sri Saradha Niketan College of Science for Women, Karur on 13-05-2020
- Growth Hacking for Entrepreneurs (G4E) conducted James Leadership Inn on 13-05-2020
- E-Content Preparation-Finding copy writing free Images and Sounds-Organised by Loyola College of Education, Chennai on 13th May, 2020
- Benchmark on Research conducted by Loyola College of Education, Chennai on 15th May, 2020

DR.P.PANDIA VADIVU

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- “Empowering Teachers for Technology Enhanced Classroom”- Department of Educational Planning and Administration, Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University on 9th May, 2020.
- “SOCIAL DISTANCING - A MARKETING CHALLENGE POST PANDEMIC”- St. Joseph College of Arts & Commerce (Virar) on 14th May 2020.
- “Throughput Accounting - Costing done differently”- Dnyandeep Mandal's St. Joseph College of Arts & Commerce. 21.05.2020.



DR. ARUL LAWRENCE

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- National Level FDP on “Effective Usage of ICT tools for E-content Preparation” conducted Jayaraj Annapackiam College for Women (Autonomous), Periyakulam from April 28, 2020 to May 02, 2020
- Online Workshop on e-Content Development using OER and ICT- TNOU and CEMCA during May 4-6, 2020
- Technology in Education for NextGen after COVID19, conducted by Loyola College of Engineering and Technology in collaboration with Consortium for Technical Education on May 9, 2020
- Online Workshop on “Descriptive Statistics: A Tool for Educational Research” organised by Tamil Nadu Teacher Education University on May 11, 2020
- National Webinar on Benchmarks of Research conducted by Loyola College of Education May 15, 2020
- Online Leadership Talk- MHRD’s Innovation Cell on May 16, 2020
- Seven Day online FDP on Digital Teaching Tools posted by Annamalai University during May 12-18, 2020
- Use of Latest Plagiarism Tools in Research Paper Writing in UGC Care journals”- 14th May, 2020, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) & Department of Economics, Organised by Narayanaguru College of Commerce, Mumbai.
- Online ICT Classes Ten Day work shop from 13th to 22nd April 2020, Techno Teachers Tamilnadu, ID: KC6OOG-CE000078 issued on 4/25/2020.
- “An effective research paper writing skill” Four Day Workshop conducted by Bhagavan Mahavir University, commerce and management studies, Gujarat from April 13 to 16, 2020
- Webinar Focusing on the professional enhancement through Cambridge Teaching Knowledge Test (TKT)- Cambridge Assessment English in association with Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University on 20 April 2020.
- “ Construction of Research Tools “- Research forum, Tamilnadu Teacher Education University on 24.04.2020
- Head start your professional enhancement through Cambridge Teaching Knowledge Test (TKT) - Cambridge Assessment English in association with Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University on 28 April 2020.
- “Stress Management’- Skill Management Centre, Tamilnadu Teachers Education University on 29.04.2020
- “Significance of innovation and education before and after corona pandemic”,- VOC College of Education Thuthukudi on 04.05.2020.
- Online Tamil Talent Test- Annai Arts and Science College, Kumbakonam, on 8 & 9.05.2020.

SCHOOL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION

The School of Special Education and Rehabilitation (SOSER) and the Student Support Service Division (SSSD) jointly organised the Induction Programme for the newly joined B.Ed Special Education learners on 07.03.2020 in the University campus. Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor delivered the inaugural address and Prof. M.Manivannan, Chairman, Faculty of Education, the Controller of Examinations and Prof.S.Mohan, Former Dean from Alagappa University addressed the learners.

The newly enrolled learners in the Bachelor of Education (Special Education) massively participated in the Induction Programme.



A great harmonious married life is a boon;
having good offsprings adds luster to it.

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The Vice-Chancellor and other dignitaries releasing a book



The Vice-Chancellor inaugurating Induction Programme



Other than having children who are wise enough to know what needs to be known, there is no other treasure that I value more.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

DR. B. ANUPAMA DEVI

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR & DIRECTOR (i/c)

Participation:

- 7-Day International Webinar on “Role of Alternative & Complementary Therapies to Combat COVID-19: An integrated Approach” organised by Yoga and Naturopathy Education Centre, Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapith, Varanasi, UP during 27th April to 3rd May, 2020
- One day International Conference (webinar) on Pandemic Pedagogy in Higher Education of COVID-19 conducted by Department of Education, Bharathiar University on 13th May, 2020
- 2-day National Webinar on Dr.B.R.Ambedkar: Education and Social Justice Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashriya Hindi Viswavidyalaya, School of Education on 13th & 14th April, 2020
- One Day National Webinar on Empowering Teachers & Technology enhanced Classroom hosted by Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai on 9th May, 2020
- 2-Day Online Course on Personality Development organised by Department of Business Administration, Vivekanandha College of Arts & Science for Women during 17th & 18th April, 2020
- COVID-19 Psycho-social issues, Challenges & Interventions conducted by Indian Institute of Teacher Education, Department of Education during 23rd & 24th April, 2020, Block Chain Technology for the New Era of Higher Education organised by DCSE/USIC/GBU, Greater Noida on 14th May, 2020

Special Lecture:

- Orientation on CRE Programme at CRE programme on Training to be a Teacher in a College/Institution from 26th to 30th August, 2019

MR. R.M.TAMILSELVAN

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Special Lecture:

- ‘Critical Evaluation of Methods of Teaching Blooms Taxonomy of Educational Objectives for the Education of CwDs’ at CRE programme on Training to be a Teacher in a College/Institution from 26th to 30th August, 2019
- “Inclusive Classrooms” in PMMMNMTT Sponsored Workshop on Inclusive Classrooms, Annamalai University 24th and 25th September, 2019

FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES

DR.S.SUBRAMANIAN

PROFESSOR & DIRECTOR

Participation:

- Learning Management Systems, Education Delivery beyond Web Conferencing- Aegis School Data Science, 19.05.2020



Publication

- Exploring the Relationship between Green Human Resource Management on Employee Green Behavior : A Mediation Analysis, PP: 337-344, Studies in Indian Place Names (UGC CARE Journal), VOI-40-Issue-69-March-2020, ISSN:2394-3114,Impact Factor:6.3

Special Lecture:

- MHRD, Government of India Sponsored Two Week Online Refresher Course (FDP) for Management and Commerce Faculty on E-Learning - Developing E-Materials-An usage of Open Education Resources on 09.05.2020 – Forenoon session, Resource & Teaching Methodology in Education & Research Development, Sai Ram Engineering College, Chennai.

DR.R.TAMILMARAN

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Participation:

- Descriptive Statistics: A tool for Education Research - Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai, on 11-05-2020
- Social Intelligence in Class Room- Sri Saradha Niketan College of Science for Women, Karur on 13-05-2020
- Growth Hacking for Entrepreneurs (G4E)- James Leadership Inn on 13-05-2020
- E-Content Preparation –finding copy writing free images and sounds- Loyola College of Education, Chennai on 13 May, 2020
- Benchmark on research- Loyola College of Education, Chennai on 15 May, 2020
- Assessment and accreditation as a measure of Internal Quality in HEI's- Logantha Narayanasamy Government College (Autonomous) Ponneri on 19-05-2020
- One Week Faculty Development Programme on Insights into Quality Research and Innovation - Vivekanandha College of Engineering for Women and from 13th May 2020 to 20th May 2020

Publication:

- Bridging the Gap of Digital Exclusion Global Journal of Business and Management Research. Vol 6, Issue 1, February 2020

DR.N.SARANYA DEVI

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation:

- MHRD, Government of India Sponsored Two Week Online Refresher Course (FDP) for Management and Commerce Faculty on E-Learning Resource & Teaching Methodology in Education & Research Development- Sai Ram Engineering College, Chennai from 27.04.2020 to 9.05.2020
- Three Days International Level Workshop on Latest Trends in Commerce- Sarah Tucker College, Tirunelveli during 14.05.2020 to 16.05.2020
- Quantifying the Quality of Research, Three Days Interactive Webinar- Dr.Hiren Patel from 15.05.2020 to 17.05.2020.

Publication:

- A Security of Stock Exchange Performance and Economic Growth, PP: 2052-2066, The International Journal of Analytical and Experimental Modal Analysis(UGC CARE Journal). IVol:XII, Issue: II, February-2020, ISSN: 0886-9367, Impact Factor: 6.3



ACTIVITIES OF THE CENTRES AND CELLS

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

The University has got involved in overhauling the Curriculum of all the Programmes, despite the complete lockdown owing to the COVID-19. The Orientation Programmes to the Chairpersons and the Members of Board of Studies and the Programme Coordinators were conducted separately, through online.

ORIENTATION PROGRAMME TO THE CHAIRPERSONS OF ALL RE-CONSTITUTED BOARD OF STUDIES

The University reconstituted 28 Boards of Studies of all Schools and the Departments with the combination of internal and external experts, industrialists, alumni and learners on roll.

To orient the Chairpersons regarding the conduction of Boards of Studies through virtual platform to revamp the existing curricula and designing new programmes suitable to the modern age, the “Orientation Programme for All Chairpersons of Boards of Studies” was conducted on 05.06.2020.

All the Chairpersons took part in this orientation programme and they appreciated the conduct of orientation programme even at the lockdown period.

Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor presided over the orientation programme and addressed that a new flow of blood should be injected into all existing curricula while revamping in such a way to suit the present needs and introduce new programmes, which will be demandable and attractive for the learners.

Dr. K. S. Pramila, the Director (i/c), Curriculum Development Centre coordinated the event.



ORIENTATION PROGRAMME TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE RE-CONSTITUTED BOARD OF STUDIES

In continuation of the Orientation Programme to the Chairpersons of the Boards of Studies, the “Orientation Programme for All Members of Boards of Studies” was conducted on 08.06.2020 through virtual platform. A total of 264 Members of different Boards of Studies took part in this orientation programme and they expressed that this orientation programme was highly useful for designing the curricula.

Prof. K. Parthasarathy, the Vice-Chancellor, TNOU presided over the orientation programme and addressed that curricula are to be suitably modified as per the present requirements of the students and it should be employable and skill development oriented.

Dr. K. S. Pramila, the Director (i/c), Curriculum Development Centre coordinated the event.



The porridge stirred playfully with the tiny hands
of one's children is sweeter than nectar.

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ORIENTATION PROGRAMME TO ALL PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATORS

To orient all the programme coordinators in bringing out the revamped curricula based on the recommendations of UGC-ODL Regulations 2017, and the TANSCH, and new programmes to be introduced, the Meeting for the Programme Co-ordinators was conducted on 15.06.2020 through virtual platform. A total of 41 programme co-ordinators took part in this meeting.

Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor presided over the meeting and informed that Board of Studies of all Schools and Departments are to be conducted on or before 25.06.2020 considering the present requirement of the students and emphasised the introduction of New Certificate courses and online programme.

CHENNAI REGIONAL CENTRE

The TNOU is a nodal centre of Ek Bharat Shreshththa Bharat, a Scheme of Central Govt. to promote cultural unity among the states of the Country. Accordingly, the University observed Swachhata Pakhwaza (cleanliness fortnight) and conducted the competitions for the college students.



The paintings of the participants being evaluated



The Vice-Chancellor giving away the certificate to a participant

The Competitions were like Swachhata, Water Conservation, Forest Conservation, and Best out of Waste. The students participated in them enthusiastically. Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor distributed the Prizes to the winners in the competitions on 03.02.2020.

The Programme Coordinator, Dr.C.Karthikeyan and Dr.C.Bharathi, Coordinator of the Chennai Regional Centre organised the Programme.



DHARMAPURI REGIONAL CENTRE

The Dharmapuri Regional Centre with the financial aid from the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi organised a Training Programme on "Transgender's Current Opportunities and Challenges in the Higher Education, Empowerment and Entrepreneurship in Tamil Nadu State" on 03rd and 04th January, 2020 at the University premises in Chennai.



The tender skin of one's children is joyous to touch;
their sweet voices rapturous to hear.

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The Vice-Chancellor and Dr. T. Sampath Kumar on the dias



A participant offering the feedback



A section of participants in the programme



The Vice-Chancellor, the Organiser of the Workshop with the participants

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER

DR.T.SAMPATH KUMAR

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR & REGIONAL DIRECTOR (i/c), DHARMAPURI

Participation:

- The Book distribution function organised by Ray Institute of Hotel Management, Krishnagiri.

STUDENT PLACEMENT CELL

JOB FAIR AT TIRUNELVELI REGIONAL CENTRE

The Student Placement Cell, TNOU with the support of the District Employment and Career Counselling Centre, Tirunelveli conducted the Job Fair for TNOU learners of Tirunelveli Region at St.John's College, Palayamkottai on 26.02.2020. Dr. A.Muthumanickam, Member, Syndicate of Tamil Nadu Open University inaugurated the Job Fair in the College premises. 76 Leading Corporate companies, including Apollo Group of Companies, Bajaj Groups, Bosch Ltd, Equitas Bank, LIC, Star Health Insurance, TVS, Eureka Forbes Ltd and others took part in the Job Fair and conducted the interviews.

Totally, 1473 job seekers attended the Job Fair. Among them, 645, including 60 TNOU graduates, received the placement orders on the spot. While Dr John Kennady, the Principal, St. John's College delivered the felicitation address, Mr. Michal Antony, Director, Rural Development and Mr. Hari Baskar, Assistant Director, District Employment and Training, Tirunelveli graced the occasion. On part of the University, Dr. R. Mahendran, Coordinator, Student Placement Cell, Dr. K. Vinothkanna, Tirunelveli Regional Coordinator, Dr. S. Aranganathan, Assistant Professor, SOTCS and Mr. K. Murali, Public Relations (Outsourced) made the arrangements for the Job Fair.



Only those who don't listen to their baby's sweet babble will claim that a flute or yaazh sounds melodious.



JOB FAIR AT TIRUCHIRAPPALLI REGIONAL CENTRE

வேலைவாய்ப்பு முகாமில் 521 பேருக்கும் பணி நியமன ஆணைகள்

தஞ்சை 15.03.2020 தனியார் நிறுவனங்களில் பணிக்கு வேலை தேடுகின்ற மாணவர்களுக்கு நேரடியான வேலைவாய்ப்பு முகாம் 15.03.2020 அன்று தஞ்சை நகரில் நடைபெற்றது.

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இந்த முகாம் 100 க்கும் மேற்பட்ட நிறுவனங்களில் பங்கேற்று, 521 பேருக்கு வேலைவாய்ப்பு முகாம் 15.03.2020 அன்று தஞ்சை நகரில் நடைபெற்றது. இதில் 521 பேருக்கு பணி நியமன ஆணைகள் வழங்கப்பட்டது.

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In continuation of conducting the Job Fair for TNOU Learners at the Regional Centres, the Student Placement Cell, TNOU in association with the District Employment and Career Counselling Centre, Tiruchirappalli organised the Job Fair for TNOU Students and Alumni on Sunday, 15.03.2020 at Jamal Mohammed College, Tiruchirappalli.

More than 100 leading Private Companies, including Overseas Manpower Corporation, Govt. of Tamilnadu, Randstad India Ltd, IDBI Federal, TVS, Eureka Forbes, Adityabirla Capital, and Shriram Insurance took part in the Job Fair and selected the employees. Totally, 4461 aspirants, including 31 Persons with Disability (PwD) appeared for the interviews at the Companies participated. Of which, 1047 received the Placement Orders.



The duty of a father towards his children is to give them a headstart in knowledge over the best of scholars.

Hon'ble Thiru. Vellamandi N. Natarajan, Minister for Tourism, Government of Tamil Nadu gave away the Placement Orders to the successful candidates at the Auditorium of Jamal Mohamed College. Thiru. S. Sivaraj, District Collector presided over the ceremony. Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor, TNOU graced the occasion.

Prof. G. Gopinath, Registrar, Prof. M. Ravichandran, Director, Dr. N. Prasanna, Dy. Director, BECH, Bharathidasan Univeristy and Dr. S. Ismail Mohaideen, Principal, and Janab Dr. A. K. Khaja Nazeemudeen Sahib, Secretary & Correspondent, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli participated in the job fair.

Dr.R.Mahendran, Coordinator, SPC, TNOU and Dr.P.Rajasekaran, Coordinator, TRC, TNOU, Trichy organised the job fair with the support of Mr.K. Murali, PRO (Outsourcing), TNOU and S.Rakshantha, DEO & M. Durai Raj, OA, TRC.

ACTIVITIES OF THE DIVISIONS

STUDENTS SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

MEETING WITH THE CO-ORDINATORS OF LSC & WORK CENTRES

The Student Support Services Division organized a workshop on “Mastery Programme for Co-ordinators of TNOU – Study Centres” to the Co-ordinators of various categories of TNOU Study Centres through virtual platform for mentoring and mastering them to contribute academic support services to the learners of TNOU and to involve the promotional activities in order to enhance the enrollment for TNOU programmes during the pandemic period of COVID 19.

Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor of University interacted with Study Centre Co-ordinators from Eight Regional Centres seeking their suggestions and resolving grievances regarding enhancement of student admission and rendering academic support services to the learners of TNOU during the COVID'19 pandemic issues.



In this programme, Dr.R.Tamilmaran, Director i/c, SSSD welcomed the Coordinators, Dr. K.Rathnakumar, Registrar, TNOU delivered felicitation address, Dr.M.Manivannan, COE i/c delivered the special address. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof.K. Parthasarathy delivered the presidential address and mastering the participation in which, Vice-Chancellor insisted the Coordinators to find the ways and means to enhance the enrolment and serve the quality education to the students through the study centres which are face of University under the COVID'19 pandemic issues. Dr.K.S.Ramakrishnan, Deputy Director i/c, SSSD proposed a vote of thanks.



STUDENT REGISTRATION AND EVALUATION DIVISION

Webinar on Induction Programme for CY-2020 Students and Popularising Academic Programmes 2020-21

The Tamil Nadu Open University is offering 39 UG Programmes, 33 PG Programmes, 2 PG Diploma Programmes, 2 Diploma Programmes and 13 Vocational Diploma Programmes for the Academic Year 2020 – 2021.

In order to create awareness among the stakeholders, Admission Division conducted a Webinar on “Induction Programme for CY-2020 and Popularizing of Academic Programme 2020-2021” through virtual platform. All the Course Co-ordinators made the virtual presentations about their programmes.



The Vice-Chancellor addressing the Coordinators of the LSCs through a virtual platform

PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Spot Admission campaign was conducted by the Student Registration (SR-1 Section) at M/S Yamaha Music India Private Ltd, Kunnampattu Village, Kancheepuram on 21.02.2020. 240 learners were enrolled for various programmes.
- Spot Admission campaign was conducted by the Student Registration (SR-1 Section) at Triumph International India Private Ltd, Maraimalai Nagar, and Chennai on 22.02.2020. 178 learners were enrolled for various programmes.
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NEWCOMERS AND RETIREE



Prof.K.Rathnakumar

Prof.K.Rathnakumar, Professor and Head, Department of Fisheries Sciences, College of Fisheries Engineering, Nagapattinam joined as the Registrar of Tamil Nadu Open University on 30.05.2020 on tenure basis for a period of three years. He has rich academic and administrative experience and previously, he also held various coveted positions like Registrar and Controller of Examinations at Tamil Nadu Fisheries University, Nagapattinam. He has more than 100 publications to his credit in the reputed journals and books. Currently, he is serving as Member in the Committees such as BDT Gol Task Force for SC/ST and Rural Development, Research Advisory Committee in CIFT-ICAR, Cochin, Panel Member for Fish and Fishery Products FSSAI,GOI, New Delhi and ASRB,ICAR,New Delhi and Expert Member in AICTE Panel,New Delhi.



Prof. M. Murugan

Prof. M. Murugan, Professor of Mathematics, School of Sciences, TNOU retired on 31.03.2020 on attaining his superannuation. He joined the Tamil Nadu Open University on 04.08.2005 as Reader in Mathematics. During his service in the University, he held various important positions like Officer on Special Duty and Staff Grievances. He also served as the Registrar incharge from 10.11.2014 to 03.03.2015.



Dr.K.M. Subramaniam

Dr. K.M. Subramaniam, Assistant Professor of History, Annamalai University, Chidambaram joined the Tamil Nadu Open University as the Controller of Examinations on 13.09.2017 on tenure basis for a period of three 3 years. During his tenure, he served as Registrar incharge from 03.03.2018 to 26.09.2018, in addition to the COE. He was relieved of his duty from the University on 17.06.2020.

UGC EXPERT COMMITTEE 'S RCOMMENDATIONS

In the previous issue, it was reported that the UGC Expert Committee visited the University in August, 2019 for ensuring whether it has been in compliance with the UGC (ODL) Regulations 2017 in terms of offering the approved UG and PG Programmes.

Consequent to this, the University received the Report of the Expert Committee's visit through e-mail on 14.01.2020. In this report, the Committee recorded that it was satisfied with the functions of the academic activities of the University and also recommended for the continuation of the approval for offering 80 UG and PG Programmes up to the academic year 2022-23. The details of the approved Programmes are available at www.tnou.ac.in



ON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF 1 YEAR SERVICE BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Prof. K. Parthasarathy, who assumed the office of the Vice-Chancellor, TNOU in the afternoon of 03.06.2019 has successfully completed his one year impeccable service in the University. In view of this, he addressed a letter dated 02.06.2020 to all the employees including, teaching, non-teaching, outsourcing and house-keeping staff inviting their valuable observations on his administration in the past one year and expected activities to be carried out in the rest of his tenure. This seems to have been really an exemplary model to the higher officials in the University system.

Following this, the Vice-Chancellor chaired an online interactive meeting with all the members of staff in the afternoon of 03.06.2020. After accepting the greetings, he openly discussed the feedbacks received on his administration and subsequently, assured the completion of the remaining works in the rest of his tenure.

Finally, the Vice-Chancellor extended his heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all the cadres of staff members for their suitable support and cooperation towards University administration for providing friendly, transparent and vibrant governance.

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