

# THE THOU NEWSSLETTER A Biannual Newsletter of Tamil Nadu Open University

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# VICE CHANCELLOR MESSAGE



Prof. K. Parthasarathy Vice Chancellor

My Dear Readers,

Hope that all of you are safe and prosperous during this COVID-19 pandemic period. It also gives me immense pleasure in bringing out the University's third newsletter entitled **The TNOU Newsletter** with a noble objective to disseminating its untiring activities to the stakeholders as well as the public. I am sure that this newsletter will become a mouthpiece of this University. I would like to state that the University has made a lot of inspiring and remarkable achievements between July and December, 2020 with regard to providing quality education, sustainable infrastructure, robust learner supporting services, and technology-enabled learning, besides



CAN THERE BE A LATCH TO LOCK IN AND HIDE LOVE? It will reveal itself through tears when a loved one is in trouble.

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placement assistances to the learners. I am also happy to record that the University conducted it's Induction Programmes successfully through virtual platform, in which first year students participated.

The Common Regulations for the Short Term, Certificate, Diploma, Vocational Diploma, Advanced Vocational Diploma, PG Diploma, Under Graduate and Post Graduate Programmes have been implemented in TNOU for the first time. The Programme Project Report along with detailed curricula of all programmes have been revamped with updated knowledge in 2020 in compliance with the UGC Regulations 2020. The Constituent Community Colleges of TNOU were reestablished and have been equipped with infrastructure facilities and put into operations at Viluppuram and Chennai Regional Centres.

As part of updating the knowledge of the Coordinators of Learner Support Centres (LSCs), Orientation programmes have been conducted in the eight Regional Centres of Tamil Nadu Open University. The Principals of Arts and Science Colleges which are Learner Support Centres of TNOU, participated in the Programme.

In this remarkable context, I would like to place on record my deepest appreciations as well as congratulations to not only all teaching, non-teaching and outsourced staff for their continuous support and cooperation in terms of executing the planned activities but also the Editorial Board of The TNOU Newsletter, for having crafted in an elegant way.

My heartfelt wishes are due to all on ensuing New Year and prosperous Pongal - 2021.

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With warm regards,

K. Parthasarathy



# UNIVERSITY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

# MOU with Learning Matters, Bengaluru



MoU with Learning Matters offering Short-Term Program

An MoU with Learning Matters, Bengaluru was signed on 08-07-2020 to offer a month – long Short-Term Programme called "Innovative Teaching Skills for Online Class Rooms, Digital Skills for 21st Century Teachers and Life Skills and Personality Development". The MoU was exchanged in the presence of Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor, between Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar, Dr.M.Manivannan, Director, School of Education and Mr.K.Anand, Vice President, Learning Matters.

#### Revision of Fee Structure Committee Meeting



Fee Revision Interaction Meeting

The Revision of fee structure for TNOU Academic Programmes was conducted in the Syndicate Hall of TNOU on 22-07-2020. All the Director of Schools of Study attended the meeting. The meeting was chaired by Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor. The Registrar, the Controller of Examinations and the Finance Officer of TNOU also interacted in the meeting. Revision of fee structure for all the programmes offered by TNOU was made.

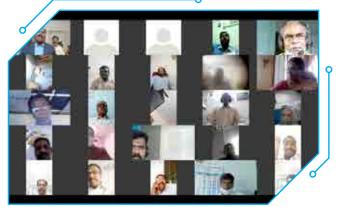


#### Orientation for LRC Coordinators

Orientation Programme to the Coordinators of Learning Resource Centres was conduced through virtual platform on 24-07-2020.



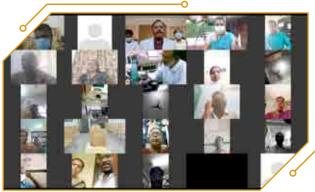
Addressing LRCs Coordinators through Online



LRC Coordinators on Screen in Orientation Program

The Vice Chancellor Prof.K.Parthasarathy, presided over and inaugurated the Orientation Programme for LRC Coordinators. The Registrar, Dr.K.Rathnakumar, the Controller of Examinations, Dr.M.Manivannan and the Director, Students Support Service Division, Dr.M.V.Sudhakaran interacted with Coordinators and answered the queries raised by the LRC Coordinators through virtual platform pertaining to implementation of the academic programmes very systematically and logically.

#### Orientation for Community College Coordinators



Orientation Programme to the Coordinators of Community Colleges was conduced through virtual platform on 31-07-2020.

Orientation for Community College Coordinators

Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor presided over and inaugurated the Orientation Programme of Community College Coordinators. Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar, and Dr.M.V.Sudhakaran, Director, Students Support Service Division participated. Dr.P.Thiyagarajan, Director, School of Continuing Education and Er.R.Meenambigai, Assistant Professor, School of Continuing Education interacted with Coordinators and answered the queries raised by the Community College Coordinators through virtual platform on implementation of various Vocational Diploma Programmes and a few new programmes.



# Independence Day Celebration



he Tamil Nadu University Open celebrated the  $74^{th}$ Independence Day on 15-08-2020. Prof. Κ. Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor hoisted the National Flag in front of the Academic Block. employees All including teaching, non-teaching and outsourcing staff participated in the celebrations with patriotic fervour.

The VC hoisting the National Flag



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# Development Initiatives

#### Press Meet



The VC meeting the Press expressing TNOU's achievements

As a part of development initiatives, on 19-08-2020 the Vice Chancellor of the University addressed the press regarding the Merits of Open and Distance Learning in the State of Tamilnadu. The Academic Programmes and Research Programmes approved by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and Distance Education Bureau (DEB) were explained to the press.

#### Students Grievance Meeting



The VC Addressing students Grievances through Virtual Mode

In order to help and support the students of the University during COVID-19, the Vice Chancellor Prof.K.Parthasarathy, along with the Registrar Dr.K.Rathnakumar, the Controller of Examinations Dr.M.Manivannan and the Director, Students Support Service Division Dr.M.V.Sudhakaran, interacted with Coordinators to solve students grievances, through virtual platform on 19-08-2020. Admission related queries raised by the stakeholders have been answered. Pre-Admission counselling was also given to the students.



#### Student's Grievance and Redressal Cell

The TNOU has launched the Online Students Grievance and Redressal Mechanism to their students on 19.08.2020. Dr. M. V. Sudhakaran Director, SSSD, TNOU gave welcome address .Dr. A. S. Arul Lawrence, Coordinator, Students Grievance and Redressal Cell, presented about Online Students Grievance Redressal Mechanism and Demonstration. The feedback from the teaching and non-teaching staff members was obtained. Dr. M. Manivannan, Controller of Examinations and Dr. K. Rathnakumar, Registrar, TNOU offered their felicitations. Dr.R.Mahendran, Director, School of Humanities coordinated the event.

# Sadbhavana Day Pledge



The VC administering Sadbhavana Day Pledge

**Sadbhavana Day Pledge** was taken by the University staff on Rajiv Gandhi Birth Anniversary. The 76<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of former Prime Minister of India late Rajiv Gandhi was commemorated at the University, Chennai on Thursday August 20, 2020.

The Vice Chancellor of University Prof.K.Parthasarathy read out the 'Sadbhavana Day Pledge' which was repeated by the Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff of Tamil Nadu Open University.

The Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff resolved, 'to work for the emotional oneness and harmony of all the people of India regardless of caste, creed, region, religion or language' and to 'resolve all differences through dialogue and constitutional means without resorting to violence'. The Registrar, the Controller of Examinations, the Finance Officer and the Syndicate Members of Tamil Nadu Open University were present on the occasion.



Green Campus

**Dignitary Visit** 



TNOU – Green Campus Drive with CISF Unit ASG

Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai is working towards the growth of the environment and has launched a tree plantation drive in its Main Campus in collaboration with CISF Unit –ASG, Chennai on 11-09-2020.



Dr.G.Sukumar VC, T.N.Dr.J.J.F.U. Visiting TNOU

Dr. G. Sukumar, the newly appointed Vice Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Dr. J. Jayalalithaa Fisheries University visited Tamil Nadu Open University on 16-09-2020 and met the Vice Chancellor, Prof.K.Parthasarathy and Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar of TNOU. They had a detailed discussion related to offering of few skill development programmes jointly by both Universities from next Academic Year signing on MOU.

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#### **Translation Day**



The VC Addressing in Translation Day Webinar

A Webinar on "Challenges in Translation from English to Tamil" was conducted on 30.09.2020 through virtual mode. Dr. R. Mahendran, Director, School of Humanities and Convener of the Webinar proposed the Welcome Address. Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Open University presided over and inaugurated the Webinar.

The felicitation was given by Prof. K. Rathnakumar, Registrar, TNOU. Mr. S. James Rajasekaran, Chief - guest delivered key-note adddress and J.K. Rajasekaran, a popular Shakespearean Translator in Tamil and Business News Editor in Daily Thanthi, Chennai, delivered the special lecture on "Challenges in Translation from English to Tamil".

He elaborately spoke on various problems of translation that he encountered while translating the literary works and others. He also gave useful and thought provoking suggestions for solving the translation problems amicably.

At the end of the webinar, the illustrious participants, Prof. Chandra Bose, Dr. Muthuvelu, Mr. Kumarakuruparan and others joined in the discussion. After submitting the online Feedback-cum-Assessment Form, all of them received their E-Participation Certificates at once. While the Vote of Thanks was moved by Mr. G. Muniyaraj, Research Scholar, Ms. M. Maragathameena, Research Scholar, School of Humanities served as the Master of Ceremony. The Webinar received overwhelming response from different strata of academics and was a grand success.



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"ஞானத்தமிழ்'' குறுகிய காலப் படிப்பு — அறிமுகம்

தமிழியல் மற்றும் பண்பாட்டுப் புலத்தின் சாா்பாக 09/10/2020 அன்று ''ஞானத்தமிழ் – குறுகிய காலப் படிப்பு அறிமுகம்'' என்னும் பொருளில் இணையவழி உரையரங்கு நடத்தப்பட்டது. இவ்வுரையரங்கில் தமிழ்நாடு திறந்தநிலைப் பல்கலைக்கழக மாண்புமிகு துணைவேந்தா் பேராசிாியா் கோ. பாா்த்தசாரதி அவா்கள் தலைமையுரை ஆற்றினாா்கள். கனடா, காமன் வெல்த் ஆஃப் லொ்னிங்கின் துணைத்தலைவா் முனைவா் பாலாஜி வெங்கட்ராமன் அவா்கள் தொடக்க வுரை நிகழ்த்தினாா்கள்.



"<mark>ஞானத்தமிழ்"</mark> இணையவழி உரையரங்கு

உலகத்தமிழாராய்ச்சி நிறுவனத்தில் இயங்கிவரும் ''ஞானத்தமிழ் இலக்கிய ஆராய்ச்சி இருக்கையின் பொறுப்பாளா் திரு. கே. ஸ்ாீராம் அவா்கள் ''ஞானத்தமிழ் இலக்கியங்கள் குறித்து சிறப்புரை ஆற்றினாா்கள்.



பேரா. கோ. பார்த்தசாரதி, துணைவேந்தர் "<mark>ரைனத்தமிழ்"</mark> பற்றிய தலைமையுரை

முன்னதாக இவ்வுரையரங்கின் தொடக்கத்தில் தமிழியல் மற்றும் பண்பாட்டுப் புல இயக்குநர் முனைவர் சு. பாலசுப்பிரமணியன் அவர்கள் நோக்கவுரை நிகழ்த்தினார்கள். இறுதியாக உதவிப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். சு. அரங்கநாதன் நன்றியுரை ஆற்றினார். இவ்வுரையரங்கு நிகழ்வுகளை முனைவர் மு. வையாபுரி அவர்கள் தொகுத்து வழங்கினார்கள்.



#### **Research Council Meeting**



VC addressing In Research Council Meeting through online

The first Research Council Meeting of Tamil Nadu Open University was conduced through virtual platform on 12-10-2020.



Research Council Member Mr.Sanjay Ganthi explaining the IPR and its importance to TNOU

Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor presided over Meeting. Dr.K.Rathnakumar the Research Council Registrar, Dr.M.Manivannan Controller of Examinations, Dr.P.Shanmuqavelan Coordinator Research. also participated in the Research Council Meeting. In the meeting issues on the Minutes of the meeting of the Internal Research Advisory Committee held on 02-03-2020 03-08.2020, the modification Research Division and as per the Academic and Administrative restructures adopted in TNOU, the Implementation of M.Phil./Ph.D. Viva Voce and Doctoral Committee Meetings for Ph.D. Scholars through virtual platform as per the Instructions of Higher Education Department, Government of Tamilnadu, the implementation of TNOU Research Fellowship for the Ph.D. Scholars undergoing Full-Time mode for their Second Year and Third Year of Research duration, the implementation of one year extension for M.Phil. and Ph.D. Scholars in view of COVID-19 as per the instructions of Higher Education Department, Government of Tamilnadu and the establishment of Intellectual Property Rights Facilitation Centre at TNOU for promoting IP activities were deliberated and arrived meaningful conclusions in the form of resolution.



#### Planning Board Meeting

The 5<sup>th</sup> Planning Board of Tamil Nadu Open University was conduced through virtual mode on 14-10-2020.



TNOU – Planning Board Meeting (online )

The Vice Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Open University Prof.K.Parthasarathy, presided over the Planning Board meeting, Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar, also participated. The important aspects such as UGC-DEB Regulations 2020 on Open and Distance Learning and Online Education published in Government of India Gazette on 04-09-2020, Proposal for draft Roadmap for realising Chancellor's Vision 2030 submitted by TNOU to the Honourable Governor Chancellor, Functionality of Learner Support Centres and Community Colleges, Inauguration of Regional centre and Constituent Community College building, releasing of first and second newsletters of TNOU, Re-constituted Board publication of SLM Policy of Studies and Document were discussed and arrived in the form of resolution for implementation.





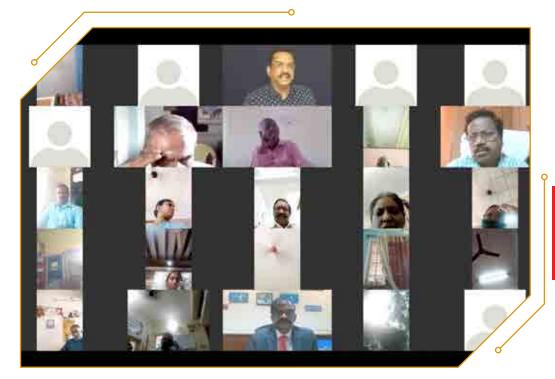
TNOU Celebrating Ayutha Pooja Festival

Ayutha Pooja was celebrated at the University in the Academic Block on 24-10-2020. Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor, Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar, Dr.M.Manivannan, Controller of Examinations, other faculty and staff members of TNOU participated in the Ayutha Pooja function.



Discussion

National Education Policy 2020



NEP 2020 Discussion Meeting through online

In response to call of the Central Government to the Vice Chancellors, Principals of Colleges and Higher Education Institutions for the deliberation about NEP2020, the TNOU, through its School of Education, conducted a "Discussion Meeting on National Education Policy 2020 with reference to Open and Distance Learning & Online Learning" on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2020 through virtual mode. Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor initiated the discussion by briefing about emphasis given for ODL & OL in NEP2020. Followed with Prof.R.Karpagakumaravel, Vice Chancellor (Officiating), Central University of Tamilnadu, focused that student empowerment, flexibility, feacibility, improving governance and holistic education are the essence of NEP2020. The Resource Persons - Er.K.E.Raghunathan, Convener, Consortium of Indian Associations and Industrialist, Chennai and Dr.A.Elangovan, Professor (Retd.), Periyar University expressed the emphasis required on vocationalisation and skill development which are to be promoted through ODL &OL institutions. This discussion meeting was organised by Prof.M.Manivannan, Director, School of Education, TNOU.







The VC administering Satak Bharat, Samriddh Bharat Pledge

The University observed "Satark Bharat, Samriddh Bharat" (Vigilant India, Prosperous India), the Vigilance Awareness Week (27<sup>th</sup> October 2020 - 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020). TNOU staff took the Integrity Pledge and further organized creative competitions and awareness campaigns on corruption and anti-corruption measures through Webinars as detailed below:

- Preventive Measures against IT Frauds conducted by School of Politics and Public Administration
- Crimes Against Women and Children organised by School of Social Sciences

Earlier, the Vice Chancellor Prof.K.Parthasarathy read out the 'Satark Bharat, Samriddh Bharat Pledge' which was repeated by the Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff of the University.

#### Inauguration of Mini Auditorium

Balcony existing with Mega Auditorium in the Six Floor of Academic Block of TNOU was redesigned and made arrangements for conducting academic seminars, meetings etc., having the arrangement of 110 seats.



Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor Unveiling Thiruvalluvar Mini Auditorium and Addressing

The Vice Chancellor who made it possible such structure, unveiled this mini auditorium in the presence of the University officials, teaching and non-teaching staff members and named after the great poet "Thiruvalluvar", so, call it as "Tiruvalluvar Mini Auditorium" on 03 November 2020.



The VC's meeting

with Directors & Coordinators

# Academic Meeting for Directors and Programme Coordinators

On 03-11-2020, the Vice chancellor Prof. K. Parthasarathy convened an Academic meeting with all Directors of Schools, Regional Directors and Programme Co-ordinators of TNOU and discussed the Academic Programmes to be taken for the forth coming Calendar Year 2021 with updated curricula, new SLMs and both Semester and non-Semester patterns.



The Vice Chancellor pointed out that the Term End Examinations would be conducted in December 2020 through Online as conducted in June/July 2020 Term End Examinations.

The Vice chancellor thanked the Government for the G.O utilizing 91 Government Arts and Science Colleges to serve as Learner Support Centres (LSCs) and Examination Centres of TNOU, the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education, and Higher Education Department who showed much interest and provided enormous support to TNOU.

#### Easy Pay Facility at TNOU

TNOU has made facilities for payment of fee through Online mode which makes the students to pay by staying in their places even with their mobile phones. Now, to entertain the visitors to the University for the payment of fee, the Point of Sale Terminal Machine (PSTM) has been introduced. This unveiling of PSTM took place on November 4, 2020 in the hands of Ms. S. Maheswari, Finance Officer and Dr. K. Katturajan, Director, Admissions.



Finance Officer, TNOU Introducing PSTM



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#### First Ph.D. VIVA Examination at TNOU

In the History of Tamil Nadu Open University, the first Ph.D. public Viva Voce Examination for two research scholars was held on 04-11-2020.

The Ph.D. Public Viva Voce Examination for the candidate Mr. V. Ramachandran in the subject History was conducted in the forenoon of 04.11.2020 on the topic "Jambai Temples in Vanathirayar's Reign – A Historical Research (Chola's Period B.C.900 to B.C. 1300)."



Ph.D. Viva Voce Examination for Mr.Y.Rama chandran

The Ph.D. Public Viva-Voce Examination for the candidate Ms. S. Shiju in the subject Management was conducted on the afternoon of 04.11.2020 on the topic "An Analysis of Contemporary Competencies of School Teachers in Chennai Suburb".



Ms. S.Shiju facing Ph.D Viva Voce Examination

A large number of faculty members, fellow research scholars and interested persons attended both Viva Voce Examinations. It is interesting to note that the Vice Chancellor Prof.K.Parthasarathy attended the Viva Voce Examinations through virtual platform and interacted with Research Scholars and made his appreciation and comments to both Research Scholars for bringing out good piece of Research Output in the field of their specialisation.

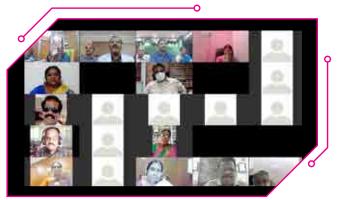


#### **Orientation for LSC Coordinators**

Orientation Programme to the Coordinators of Learner Support Centres (LSCs) was conducted through virtual platform on 10-11-2020.



The VC addressing LSC Coordinators



LSC Coordinators interaction with TNOU Officials

The Vice Chancellor Prof.K.Parthasarathy, presided over and inaugurated the Orientation of Programme of LSC Coordinators. The Registrar, Dr.K.Rathnakumar, the Controller of Examinations, Dr.M.Manivannan and the Director, Students Support Service Division, Dr.M.V.Sudhakaran interacted with Coordinators and answered the queries raised by the LSC Coordinators through virtual platform on various issues pertaining to implementation of academic programmes.

Orientation for Functionaries of Collegiate Education

An Orientation programme through virtual platform on Establishment and Functioning of 91 Government Colleges of Arts and Science across Tamilnadu as the Learner Support Centres (LSCs) and Exam Centres of TNOU, was held on 10.11.2020.



Vice Chancellor presides over Orientation Program



Participation of Principals and Collegiate Education Officials in Orientation





Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor, in his presidential address, proclaimed that TNOU has taken a leading role to reach the unreached persons who are educationally left out in the society due to economic backwardness and lack of accessibility in obtaining higher education. Now, because of strenuous efforts taken by the Govt. of Tamilnadu, a total of 91 Govt. Colleges has been attached with the TNOU to cater to the needs of all aspirants of higher education. Candidates, who are not able to get admission in particular programme of study in the Government College, can opt such programme in TNOU and carryout the study in the college functioning as LSC. Further the Vice Chancellor enumerated the functioning of the Principals and Coordinators of the Colleges, the Regional Directors of Collegiate Education, the Programme Coordinators and the Regional Directors of TNOU.

Dr. N. Ramalakshmi, Joint Director, Collegiate Education, felicitated in the occasion and emphasized that certification of educational qualification issued by TNOU is eligible for all Government services. She also read out the message passed by Thiru. K. Vivekanandan, I.A.S., Director of Collegiate Education stating that TNOU has taken a great initiative to cover all persons who seek higher education facilities in Tamilnadu and in this venture, the Collegiate Education would support for fulfilling the objectives. The RJDs and Principals have also shared their views and got clarified their doubts. In this programme, Dr. K.Rathnakumar, Registrar, and Dr. M.V. Sudhakaran, Director, SSSD, welcomed and thanked the participants respectively.



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# On 11-11-2020, the National Education Day was celebrated on the eve of birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, great a freedom fighter, eminent educationist, the first Union Minister of Education at University Campus, Chennai. The day was started by offering tribute to Maulana Abul Kalam Azad by Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor, Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar, Dr.M.Manivannan, Controller of Examinations, other faculty and staff members of TNOU. The Faculty of Education of TNOU organised the event.

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National Education Day-



#### Programme Coordinators Meet

The Directors and Programme Coordinators Meet was held on November 11, 2020. The academic works such as assignments – submission and evaluation, Model Examination, Counselling Classes-Online etc., were discussed. During this meeting, the Vice Chancellor provided Mobile phone with SIM card to the twenty officials of TNOU to deal with student related matters instantly without any delay.



The VC provides Mobile to the Controller



Director, SSSD receives Mobile phone

#### **Establishment of LSCs in Govt Arts & Science Colleges**

A first of its kind in entire country, the Hon'ble Ministry for Higher Education and Agriculture, **Thiru. K.P. Anbalagan** as per his Announcement in Legislative Assembly, inaugurated the establishment of Learner Support Centres in 91 Government Arts and Science Colleges in Tamilnadu State in the function organized at the venue of Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSCHE) on November 23, 2020, in the presence of **Selvi Apoorva, I.A.S.**, Principal Secretary to the Govt., Higher Education Department; **Thiru. K. Vivekanandan, I.A.S.**, Director of Collegiate Education; **Prof. K. Parthasarathy**, Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Open University. The Regional Joint Directors of Collegiate Education, the Principals and Coordinators of LSCs and the Regional Directors, Registrar, Faculty and Staff of TNOU participated through virtual platform.



Hon'ble Minister Thiru K.P. Anbalagan dedicates Govt Colleges as LSCs of TNOU



The Hon'ble Minister proclaimed that the degrees and diplomas awarded by TNOU are being taken care for employment opportunities. The candidate who does not get admission in the college for the specific subject, can opt the same subject in TNOU and continue studying through same college. This is a boon to the students of rural-cum-economically backward families. This kind of enrolment would also enhance the GER from 49.3 percent to still more height in Tamilnadu.



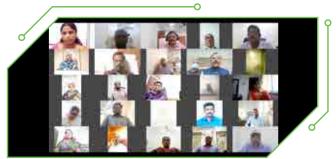
Hon'ble Minister addressing the Gathering

#### TNOU Programme Coordinators Meet

The Programme Coordinators of Tamil Nadu Open University was conduced through virtual platform on 30-11-2020.



The VC interacting with TNOU Programme Coordinators



TNOU Programme Coordinators in VC's online meeting

The Vice Chancellor Prof.K.Parthasarathy, presided over the meeting and discussed with the Programme Coordinators. Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar, also participated in the meeting.

In the Meeting, the conduction of counselling classes to the learners of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> years, completion of Programme Project Report (PPR) with detailed curricula, preparation of new SLM as per the SLM Policy of TNOU, introduction of new Short-Term and Certificate Programmes etc., were deliberated in detail and also prepared a plan of action for implementing the same in systematic way.



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VC inspecting TNOU – Academic

#### Online Academic Counselling

As a first time in the journey of TNOU, due to COVID 19 situation, pandemic the Academic Counselling conducted Classes were through virtual platform in accordance with the UGC Regulations 2020. A total of 16 Counselling classes for each course of study with the duration of 1 hour each, has been handled through virtual



platform by the faculty members and the external subject experts form 23 November 2020 to 4 December 2020.

#### **TNOU Nodal Centre for IIRS-ISRO for Online Courses**

TNOU is one of the Nodal Centres to associate online with training programme conducted by the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), ISRO, Dehradun. Until December 2020, the University involved in coordinating the following five programmes conducted by IIRS-ISRO related to Geo-spatial Technology. Dr.K.Katturajan, Assistant Professor, School of Science coordinated the following Programmes:

Date	Name of Training Programme	
14-09-2020 to 25-09-2020	Online Training Course on "Global Navigation Satellite System"	
21-09-2020 to 25-09-2020	Online Training Course on "Understanding of Coastal ocean processes using Remote Sensing and Numerical Modelling"	
28-09-2020 to 15-10-2020	Online Training Course on "Geographical Information System"	
02-1 1-2020 to 20-1 1-2020	Online Training Course on "RS & GIS Applications"	
01-12-2020 to 07-12-2020	Online Training Course on "Remote Sensing of Land Degradation"	



#### MoU with Directorate of Public Libraries

TNOU signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Directorate of Public Libraries, Tamilnadu for providing copies of Self-Learning Materials to all Central Libraries in District Headquarters, on 10.12.2020. The MoU was signed by Registrar of TNOU and Director of Public Libraries, Government of TamilNadu. Dr. R. Arumugam, Director, School of Politics and Public Administration and Facilitator for library affairs and Dr. S. Nagarajamurugam, Director, Directorate of Public Libraries exchanged the MoU in the presence of Ms. M. Sumathi, Assistant Director, Public Libraries, Dr. T. Ravimanikkam, Director, School of Sciences, Mr. S. Elango Chandrakumar, District Library officer, and Dr. K. Dhamotharan, Librarian.



MoU with Directorate of Public Libraries

Dr. K. Rathnakumar - FELLOW of SciTSA

Κ. Rathna Dr. kumar, Registrar of Tamil Nadu Open University, named a FELLOW of the Agricultural Scientific Tamil Society (FSciTSA), a prestigious one, is congratulated by the TNOU.





# Online Examinations - December- 2020

TNOU's Student Registration and Evaluation Division (SR&ED) conducted the Term End Examinations – December 2020 through On-line from 12.12.2020 to 31.12.2020. The learners of various programmes offered by TNOU namely, Post graduate (PG), Post - Graduate Diploma, Under Graduate (UG), Diploma programmes, Vocational Diplomas and Certificate programmes and the candidates who were declared pass in the arrear papers during October 2020, but want to take up subsequent/supplementary exam for improvement, were permitted to take up this examination.

A special one-time final chance to write examination was given to all the arrear candidates of all programmes since 2003 to complete their programmes of studies.

#### Activities of the Schools /Centres

- The School of History and Tourism Studies (SOHTS) of TNOU organised a Webinar on "The Antiquity of Tamil as gleaned from Keezgadi Excavation" on 14-09-2020. The presidential address was given by Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor. The welcome address was given by Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar. Prof.M.Seran, Archaeology Expert-Keezhadi Excavation, Department of Archaeology, Government of Tamilnadu spoke about the Antiquity of Tamil as gleaned from Keezgadi Excavation. Dr.N.Dhanalashmi, Director, Dr.E.Iniyan, Assistant Professor, SOHTS organised the Webinar. Archaeology, School of History and Tourism Studies of TNOU. The same was shared to public.
- Centre for Multimodal Material Production for Differently Abled (CMPD), School of Special Education and Rehabilitation of TNOU observed International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) on 03-12-2020. A Webinar on "Building Back Better: Towards an Inclusive, Accessible and Sustainable Post COVID-19 World By, For and With Persons with Disabilities" was organised as a part of IDPD. The presidential address was given by Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar. The Special Lecture on Role of Resource Centre in Post-COVID-19 Scenario for Learners with Disabilities was given by Dr.J.Sujathamani, Professor and Head, Department of Special Education and Disability Studies, Alagappa University, Karaikudi. The Special Lecture on Translating COVID-19 situation as Opportunity to provide Service to Children with Disabilities was given by Dr.S. Prabakar Immunuel, Executive Director, Holy Cross Service Society, Trichirappalli. Dr.M.Manivannan, Chairman, Faculty of Education and Rehabilitation coordinated the Programme and Mr.R.Tamilselvan, Coordinator, Centre for Multimodal Material Production for Differently Abled (CMPD) of TNOU proposed the vote of thanks.
- The School of Humanities of TNOU Dr.R.Mahendran, Director, School of Humanities



conducted the International Webinar on "Digital Humanities: Do Things Better than Before" on 07.10.2020 through virtual platform. The presidential address was given by Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice-Chancellor. Prof. Sreeganesh Thottempudi, Research Scientist at University of Heidelberg, Germany delivered a special lecture on Digital Humanities, an emerging field to connect the science and technology and humanities.

- The School of Library and Information Science of TNOU along with DELNET-Developing Library Network organised a Webinar on DELNET Networked Resources and Services: Discovery Portal and Knowledge Gainer Portal on 28-10-2020. The welcome address was given by Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar. The Special Lecture was given by Dr.Sangeetha Kaul, Director, DELNET, New Delhi. Dr.R.Kalaiarasi, Director, School of Library and Information Science and Mrs.S.Sakila, Assistant Librarian convened the Webinar.
- The School of Education of TNOU conducted a Discussion Meeting on National Education Policy-2020 with reference to Open and Distance Learning and Online Learning on 28-10-2020. The presidential address was given by Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor, the welcome address was given by Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar . The Keynote address was given by Prof.R.Karpaga Kumravel, Vice Chancellor (Officiating), Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur, Er.K.. Raghunathan, Convener, Consortium of Indian Associations, Industrialist, Chennai and Dr.A.Elangovan, Professor and Director(Rtd), Periyar University, Salem, served as a Resource persons. Dr.M.Manivannan, Professor and Director, School of Education of TNOU proposed the vote of thanks.
- The School of Journalism and Mass Media Studies of TNOU conducted a National Level Panel Discussion on National Education Policy (NEP)-2020 with Special Reference to Open Educational Resources (OER) on 31-10-2020.



VC presiding over National level Discussion on NEP2020:OER





• The presidential address was given by Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor. The welcome address was given by Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar.



 The Keynote Speakers Prof.P.Thyagarajan, Former Vice-Chancellor, University of Madras, Chennai spoke about the NEP-2020 with Special reference to Open and Distance Learning(ODL), Prof.Srikant Mohapatra, Vice Chancellor, Odisha Open University, Odisha spoke about Open Educational Resources, Prof.Om Prakash Sign Negi, Vice Chancellor, Uttarakand Open University, Uttarakand spoke about Access to Quality Content through OER, Prof.Uma Kanjilal, Director, Centre for Online Education, IGNOU, New Delhi spoke about Online Content Development through OER Dr.P.Chitra, Director, School of Journalism and Mass Media Studies coordinated the event.





The School of Politics and Public Administration of TNOU as part of Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week-2020, organised a Webinar on Preventive Measures against IT Frauds on 02-11-2020. The presidential address was given by Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor. The welcome address was given by Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar. Thiru.P.Chinnasamy, Additional Superintendent of Police (Rtd), Chennai delievered the key note address. R.Arumugam, Assistant Professor and Director, School of Politics and Public Administration of TNOU proposed the vote of thanks.



- The School of Social Science of TNOU as part of Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week-2020 organised a Webinar on Crimes Against Women and Childrenon02-11-2020. The presidential address was given by Prof.K. Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor. The welcome address was given by Dr.K. Rathnakumar, Registrar. The keynote address was given by Thiru.K.P. Shanmuga Rajeshwaran, IG of Police (Rtd), Chennai. Dr.M.V. Sudhakaran, Professor and Director, School of Social Sciences, TNOU proposed the vote of thanks.
- The School of Management Studies of TNOU conducted a One day International Webinar on Quintessence of Logistic System in Business success on 24-11-2020. The presidential address was given by Prof.K.Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor. The welcome address was given by Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar. Dr.R.R.Padmanabhan, Director, Exim Academy, Chennai introduced the resource persons. Newton, Mr.Keith Secretary

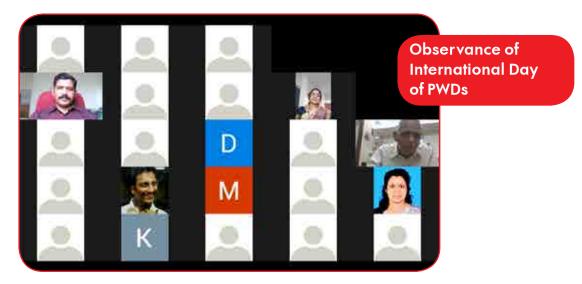


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VC inaugurates International Webinar

General, Charted Institute of Logistic and Transport, United Kingdom presented about Logistic Efficiency-Key to Bounce Back from COVID-19. Mr.Tomio Isogai, Freelance Advisor in Indo Japanese Relations, Adjunct Faculty at MIT-ADI University, Pune, India presented about Career Advancement-Japanese Perspective. Dr.S.Subramanian, Professor and Director, School of Management Studies of TNOU proposed the vote of thanks.





• Electronic Media Production and Research Centre (EMPRC) of TNOU arranged for conducting the following 30 Online events during June-2020 to December-2020 for various Academic and Administrative activities of TNOU:

# **EMPRC Facilitates the Events**

S.No	Name of Event	Time
1	TNOU- Meeting of All Faculty Members	07/21/2020 01:21:43
2	TNOU- Revision of TNOU Programme Fee Structure	07/21/2020 22:29:28
3	TNOU- Orientation Programme for LSCs/ PSCs/ WCs	07/23/2020 22:13:08
4	TNOU- Orientation Programme for LRCs	07/24/2020 02:44:04
5	TNOU- Orientation Programmes for the Coordinators of the Community Colleges	07/30/2020 23:14:36
6	TNOU- Students Grievance Redressal Mechanism -Testing	08/18/2020 01:28:33
7	TNOU- Online Students Grievance Redressal Mechanism	08/19/2020 01:56:57
8	TNOU- Guideship Scrutiny Committee	08/26/2020 02:2445
9	TNOU- SOHTS - Webinar on The Antiquity of Tamil as gleaned from Keezhadi Excavation	09/14/2020 22:07:17
10	TNOU- M.Phil. and Ph.D Guideship Scrutiny Committee	09/23/2020 02:27:10



S.No	Name of Event	Time
11	TNOU- Programme Coordinators Meet for preparation of PPR & Detailed Syllabus	27-09-2020 23:22:54
12	TNOU- DC Meeting - SOCS	28-09-2020 03:57:43
13	TNOU- School of Humanities - Webinar on- "Challenges in Translation from English to Tamil"	29-09-2020 22:08:40
14	TNOU- Viva Voce	10-04-2020 22:25
15	TNOU-School of Humanities- "Digital Humanities: Do Things Better Than Before"	10-06-2020 22:06
16	TNOU- Meeting in connection with CM 110 Announcement on Common Syllabus G.O 70	08-10-2020 02.13.26
17	தமிழ்நாடு திறந்தநிலைப் பல்கலைக்கழகம் தமிழியல் மற்றும் பண்பாட்டுப் புலம் – ஞானத்தமிழ் – குறுகிய காலப் படிப்பு அறிமுகம்	08-10-2020 21.0746
19	TNOU- Research Council Meeting	12-10-2020 11.3946
20	TNOU- Planning Board Meeting	14-10-2020 10.43.18
21	TNOU- Preliminary Meeting for NEP	22-10-2020 10.54.10
22	TNOU- National Education Policy 2020 - ODL & OER	28-10-2020 11.24.27
23	TNOU- Preventive Measures Against IT Frauds	02-11-2020 10:44.39
24	TNOU- Crimes Against Women & Children	02-11-2020 14:47:33
25	TNOU- SOHTS - Ph.D. Viva Voce	04-11-2020 10.3747
26	TNOU- SOMS - Ph.D. Viva Voce	02-11-2020 14:46.06
27	TNOU- Orientation Programme for Principal & Coordinators of LSCs and Examination Centres of TNOU	10-11-2020 10.2441
28	TNOU- 3 <sup>rd</sup> Doctoral Committee Meeting	21-11-2020 11.11.01
29	TNOU- Programme Coordinators Meeting	30-11-2020 15.54.50
30	TNOU- International Day of Persons with Disabilities	03-12-2020 10.24.01

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# Activities of Regional Centres and Constituent Community Colleges

#### Training organised by Constituent Community College,

#### Viluppuram

The TNOU – Constituent Community College, Viluppuram through its Coordinator Er.R.Meenabigai, Organized a Training Programme for the Staff of Viluppuram Municipality on "Stress Management and Yoga" on 06.11.2020. The Training Programme was conducted at the Council Hall of Viluppuram Municipality and 52 participants attended the Training Programme.



Mr.N.Dakshnamoorthy, Commissioner, Viluppuram Municipality inaugurated the Training Programme for the Staff of Viluppuram Municipality on "Stress Management and Yoga".

Prof. M.V. Sudhakaran, Chairman, Faculty of Social Science, TNOU delivered the presentation on Stress Management.



Sky Yoga Foundation teaches Breathing Exercises



#### **TNOU Regional Centre – Viluppuram**

Dr. P. Panidiyavadivu, Regional Director, Viluppuram Regional Centre conducted Spot admission Campaign with Dr.MGR Arts and Science Colleges for Women – Viluppuram during the inaugural function of "Establishment of LSCs & Examination Centres at Government Arts and Science Colleges in Tamilnadu" on 23.11.2020. The Viluppuram Regional Centre conducted promotional activities with Dr.MGR Arts and Science College for Women for Teaching Faculties also.



Viluppuram Regional Centre – Spot Admission Campaign

# Orientation for Coordinators of LSCs, CCs & LRCs in Viluppuram Region

The TNOU–Regional Centre & Constituent Community College, Viluppuram Organized an Orientation Programme for the Coordinators of TNOU–LSCs, LRCs and CCs under the Viluppuram Region on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020. The Vice Chancellor of TNOU Prof. K. Parthasarathy delivered the presidential address and released the Brochure of TNOU - Regional Centre & Constituent Community College.



VC releasing Viluppuram - RC - Brochure



The welcome address was given by the Regional Director, Viluppuram Dr.P.Pandiyavadivu and Presentation about Vocational Diploma and Diploma Programmes of TNOU was given by the Constituent Community College Coordinator, Viluppuram, Er.R.Meenambigai and the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr.J.Gunasekaran, Programmer, Regional Centre, Viluppuram. Seven Principals of Government Arts and Science Colleges which are TNOU Learner Support Centres and 8 Coordinators of TNOU Community Colleges under Viluppuram Region attended the Orientation Programme.

#### **TNOU Regional Centre – Coimbatore**

The Coimbatore Regional Centre and Coimbatore Government Arts College jointly organised a programme to inaugurate new LSC at Government College. The Inaugural function was held on 23.11.2020. Dr.N.Saravanakumar, Regional Director, Coimbatore made an admission to TNOU Programmes through Government Arts and Science College, Coimbatore.



TNOU Regional Director, Coimbatore admits students in TNOU programmes

# Orientation for Coordinators of LSCs, CCs & LRCs in Coimbatore Region

The TNOU-Regional Centre, Coimbatore organized a Orientation Programme for the Coordinators of TNOU – LSCs, LRCs & CCs on 29-12-2020. The Registrar of TNOU, Dr. K. Rathnakumar delivered the inaugural address and released the Brochure of TNOU - Regional Centre, Coimbatore.







The welcome address was given by the Regional Director, Coimbatore Dr.N. Saravanakumar. The Special Address was given by the Principal, Dr.K.Sakthi Sree, Government Arts College (Autonomous), Coimbatore. The Principals of Government Arts and Science Colleges which are TNOU Learner Support Centres and Coordinators of TNOU Community Colleges and LRCs under Coimbatore Region attended the Orientation Programme.



TNOU Registrar meeting with Coimbatore Productivity Council

As part of promotional activities, on 29-12-2020, the Registrar of TNOU Dr. K. Rathnakumar visited Coimbatore Productivity Council and discussed about promotional activities of TNOU with Mr.K.Arul, Vice President, Coimbatore Productivity Council and Mrs.P.Bhavani, Manager, Coimbatore Productivity Council.

# TNOU Regional Centre, Madurai

Dr.I.Ampeth, Regional Director, TNOU Madurai Regional Centre, as part of admission to TNOU Programmes through Government Arts and Science College, admitted students in the LSC at Government Arts and Science College, Kadaladi, Ramanathapuram District.



TNOU- Madurai Regional Director, makes admissions







Sethupathy

Dr.I.Ampeth, made admission to TNOU Programmes through Sethupathy Government Arts and Science College, Ramanathapuram .



Paramakudi.

Dr.I.Ampeth, made admission to TNOU Programmes Government Arts and Science College, Paramakudi.



Dr.I.Ampeth, made admission to TNOU Programmes through Veerapandi, Theni District during inauguration of LSCs and Exam Centres.





# Orientation Programme for Coordinators of LSCs, CCs &LRCs under Madurai Region

The TNOU-Regional Centre, Madurai organized a Orientation Programme for the Coordinators of TNOU LSCs, LRCs & CCs under the Madurai Region on 30-12-2020. The Syndicate Member of TNOU, Dr.A.Muthumanickam delivered the Presidential Address and released the Brochure of TNOU - Regional Centre, Madurai.



Dr.A.Muthumanickam, Member Syndicate, TNOU releasing Madurai Regional Centre - Brochure

The inaugural address was given by Dr.P.Ponmuthuramalingam, Regional Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Madurai. The welcome address was given by the Regional Director, Madurai Dr.I.Ampeth and the Special Address was given by Dr.S.Vasanthi, Principal, Meenakshi Government Arts and Science for Women, Madurai. Principals of Government Arts and Science Colleges which are TNOU Learner Support Centres and Coordinators of TNOU Community Colleges and LRCs under Madurai Region took part the Orientation Programme.



# **TNOU Regional Centre, Dharmapuri**

Dr.T.Sampath Kumar, the Regional Director, TNOU Dharmapuri Regional Centre, as part of admission to TNOU Programmes admitted students at Prabahar Match Industry, Dharmapuri on 04-12-2020.

Dharmapuri Regional Brochure on Admission Campaign



# Orientation for Coordinators of LSCs, CCs & LRCs in Dharmapuri Region

The TNOU-Regional Centre, Dharmapuri organized a Orientation Programme for the Coordinators of TNOU LSCs, LRCs & CCs under the Dharmapuri Region on 31-12-2020. The Controller of Examinations of TNOU, Dr.M.Manivannan delivered the presidential address and released the Brochure of TNOU - Regional Centre, Dharmapuri.



The special address was given by the Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Dr.Jothi Venkateswaran, Dharmapuri Region. The Welcome Address was given by Dr.P.K.Killivalavan, Principal Government Arts College, Dharmapuri. Dr.T.Sampathkumar Regional Director, Dharmapuri and Syndicate Member of TNOU presented about UG and PG Programmes of TNOU and also felicitated the gathering. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr.R. Sankar, Associate Professor and TNOU LSC Coordinator, Government Arts College, Dharmapuri. The principals of Government Arts and Science Colleges which are TNOU Learner Support Centres and Coordinators of TNOU Community Colleges and LRCs under Dharmapuri Region participated in the Orientation Programme.

# TNOU Regional Centre, Tirunelveli

The launching of Learner Support Centre and Exam Centre for TNOU at Govt. Arts and Science College was held at Rani Anna Govt Arts and Science College for Women in Tirunelveli Region on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020. In this event, the Principal of the College, Dr. V. Mythili issued Course materials for the admitted students and the event was coordinated on behalf of TNOU by Dr. S. Vinod Kanna, Regional Director, Regional Centre, Tirunelveli. Dr. A.S Arul Lawrence, Director, CUI TNOU, and Dr.Mahalakshmi, Coordinator, Rani Anna College arranged the function at the College.



Inaugurating TNOU – LSC at Rani Anna College



#### Orientation for Coordinators of LSCs, CCs & LRCs in Tirunelveli Region

The TNOU-Regional Centre, Tirunelveli organized a Orientation Programme for the Coordinators of TNOU LSCs, LRCs & CCs under the Tirunelveli Region on 31-12-2020. Dr.C.V.Mythili, Principal of Rani Anna Government College for Women, Tirunelveli delivered the Presidential Address.



Dr.Latha Pooranam, Regional Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Tirunelveli Region released the Brochure of TNOU – Regional Centre and inaugurated the Orientation Programme. The Welcome Address was given by Dr.S.Vinod Kanna, Regional Director, Tirunelveli. Dr.A.S Arul Lawrence, Director, Centre for University Informatics presented about the UG and PG Programme of TNOU and Dr.E.Kumar, Assistant Professor, School of Sciences, Presented about diplomas and Certificate programmes of TNOU. Dr.Mahalakshmi, Assistant Professor and LRC Coordinator, Rani Anna Government College for Women proposed the vote of thanks. The Principals of Government Arts and Science Colleges which are TNOU Learner Support Centres and Coordinators of TNOU Community Colleges and LRCs under Tirunelveli Region took part in the Orientation Programme.

# TNOU Regional Centre, Tiruchirappalli Orientation for Coordinators of LSCs, CCs & LRCs in Tiruchirappalli Region



TNOU – Trichirappalli Regional Centre Brochure Release



Dr.P.Rajasekar, Regional Director, Regional Centre, Tiruchirappalli organized a Orientation Programme for the Coordinators of TNOU LSCs, LRCs & CCs under the Tiruchirappalli Region on 31-12-2020. Dr.N.Dhanalakshmi, Syndicate Member of TNOU, delivered the presidential address.

Dr.M.V.Sudhakaran, Director, Students Support Services Division of TNOU delivered the Special Address and released the Brochure of TNOU – Regional Centre in the Orientation Programme. Dr.S.Usha, Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Thanajvur Region and Dr.A.Megala Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Tiruchirappalli Region also attended the Programme. The Principals of Government Arts and Science Colleges which are TNOU Learner Support Centres and Coordinators of TNOU Community Colleges and LRCs under Tirunelveli Region have Participated in the Orientation Programme.

### **TNOU Regional Centre, Chennai**

## Orientation for Coordinators of LSCs, CCs & LRCs in Chennai Region

The TNOU-Regional Centre, Chennai organized an Orientation Programme for the Coordinators of TNOU LSCs, LRCs & CCs under the Chennai Region on 29-12-2020. The Vice Chancellor of TNOU, Prof.K.Parthasarathy delivered the presidential address and released the Brochure of TNOU - Regional Centre and Constituent Community College.



TNOU – VC Releasing Chennai Region Brochure

The welcome address was given by Dr.C.Barathi, Regional Director, Chennai. The Special Address was given by Dr.M.Manivannan, Controller of Examinations of TNOU. The Felicitation Address was given by Dr.N.Dhanalakshmi, Syndicate Member of TNOU. The presentation about UG and PG Programmes of TNOU was given by Dr.M.V.Sudhakaran, Director, Students Support Services Division, TNOU and the presentation about Vocational Diploma and Diploma Programmes of TNOU was given by Dr.P.Thiyagarajan, Director, School of Continuing Education. The vote of thanks was proposed by the Dr.R.Praggadheeswari, Coordinator, TNOU Constituent Community College, Chennai. The Principals of Government Arts and Science Colleges which are TNOU Learner Support Centres and Coordinators of TNOU Community Colleges and LRCs under Chennai Region have attended the Orientation Programme.





## **TNOU The Niligiris Regional Centre**

## Orientation for Coordinators of LSCs, CCs & LRCs in The Nilgiris Region

The TNOU-Regional Centre, the Nilgiris organized an Orientation Programme for the Coordinators of TNOU – LSCs, LRCs & CCs under the Nilgiris Region on 29-12-2020. The Registrar of TNOU Dr. K. Rathnakumar delivered the inaugural address and released the Brochure of TNOU - Regional Centre.



TNOU – Registrar Releasing Brochure of The Nilgiris

The welcome address was given by the Dr.N.Saravanakumar, Regional Director, the Nilgiris. The presidential address was given by, Dr.M.Eswaramurthy ,Principal, Government Arts College, Udhagamandalam and the vote of thanks was proposed by Dr.N.Sivashanakar, Associate Professor and Coordinator, Government Arts College, Udhagamandalam. The Principals, Government Arts and Science Colleges which are TNOU Learner Support Centres and Coordinators of TNOU Community Colleges and LRCs under the Nilgiris Region participated in the Orientation Programme.



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S.No	Date	Event	Mode / Venue	Organiser(s)	
1	02.07.2020	Participated in Webinar on Social Media in the Times of Covid-19 Fun & Learning	Through Virtual Platform	The Assam Royal Global University, Guwhati	
2	03.07.2020	Special Address Delivered in International Webinar on "Positive Youth Development"	Through Virtual Platform	Alagappa University, Karaikudi	
3	08.07.2020	Delivered Inaugural Address in National Webinar on "Modern Trends in Educational Technology"	Through Virtual Platform	St. John's College of Education, Palayamkottai	
4	13.07.2020	Participated in Interactive Webinar on "Agri Business – Challenges and Way Forward"	Through Virtual Platform	Andhra Chamber of Commerce, Chennai	
5	14.07.2020	Attended all University Vice Chancellors meet on Higher Education	Through Virtual Platform	Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Chennai	
6	22.07.2020	Participation in the Meeting of the Revision of Fee Structure	Face-to-Face	Admission, TNOU	
7	23.07.2020	Interacted with all Co-ordinators of LSCs (Learning Support Centres), PSCs (Programme Study Centres) & Work Centres (WCs) of TNOU	Through Virtual Platform	Student Support Services Division (SSSD), TNOU	
8	24.07.2020	Interacted with all Co-ordinators of Regional Centres, Learning Support Centres and Learning Resource Centres of TNOU	Through Virtual Platform	Student Support Services Division (SSSD), TNOU	
9	31.07.2020	Conducted Orientation Programmes for the Co- ordinators of TNOU Community Colleges	Through Virtual Platform	School of Continuing Education, TNOU	
10	07.08.2020	Participated in the Webinar of Harvard University on Special Lecture Series: The Future of Higher Education	Through Virtual Platform	Harvard University	
11	17.08.2020	Participated in the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) National Webinar on Reimagining Indian Universities	Through Virtual Platform	National Law University, New Delhi in association with Association of Indian Universities, New Delhi	
12	17.08.2020	Participated in the Webinar on "Conclave on Transformational Reforms in Higher Education under National Education Policy 2020"	Through Virtual Platform	UGC-MHRD, New Delhi	
13	19.08.2020	Launching of Online Students Grievance Redressal Mechanism and delivered Special Address	Through Virtual Platform	Students Grievance Redressal Cell (SGRC), TNOU	
14	05.09.2020	ஆசிரியர் தினத்தையொட்டி தேசிய சிந்தனைக் கழகம் நடத்திய முப்பெறும் விமா-சிறப்புரை	இணையவழி கருத்தரங்கம்	தேசிய சிந்தனைக் கழகம்	
15	08.09.2020	Participated and delivered Key Note Address in the National Webinar on Life long Learning and National Education Policy 2020	Through Virtual Platform	SNDT Women's University, Mumbai in association with the Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension and Department of Social Work	
16	14.09.2020	Participated and delivered inaugural address in the Webinar on the Antiquity of Tamil's as Gleaned from Keezhadi Excavation	Through Virtual Platform	School of History & Tourism Studies	
17	24.09.2020	Interaction Meeting with the Stakeholders on National Education Policy 2020 based on the instruction of the Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, Govt. of Tamilnadu	Through Virtual Platform	τνου	
18	27.09.2020	Interaction meeting with Programme Co-ordinator's for PPR (Programme Project Report) and Detailed Syllabus Preparation	Through Virtual Platform	TNOU	
19	30.09.2020	Inaugurated the Webinar on Challenges in Translation from English to Tamil	Through Virtual Platform		
20	07.10.2020	Presided over the Webinar on Digital Humanities-Do things better than before	Through Virtual Platform	School of Humanities, TNOU	
21	09.10.2020	Participated in the Meeting of the National Through Virtual		Director, CEMCA	
22	09.10.2020	ஞானத்தமிழ் குறுகிய காலப்படிப்பு - இணையவழி பன்னாட்டு உரையரங்கம் -தலைமையுரை	இணையவழி	தமிழியல் மற்றும் பண்பாட்டுப் புலம்	

# TNOU Vice Chancellor Diary



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23	12.10.2020	Conducted the Research Council meeting as Chairman	Through Virtual Platform	Research Division, TNOU	
24	14.10.2020	Conducted 5 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Planning Board	Through Virtual Platform	Registrar, TNOU	
25	17.10.2020	Delivered talk on National Education Policy 2020 Summit, as Special Guest	Through Virtual Platform	Department of Life Long Learning & Extension, University of Mumbai	
26	20.10.2020	Conducted 14 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council	Through Virtual Platform	Registrar, TNOU	
27	28.10.2020	Delivered talk in the Meeting of National Education Policy 2020 with reference to Open & Distance Learning and Online Learning and delivered Presidential Address	Through Virtual Platform	School of Education, TNOU	
28	31.10.2020	Delivered Presidential Address in the National Education Policy 2020 with special reference to Open Educational Resources	Through Virtual Platform	School of Journalism and New Media Studies, TNOU	
29	02.11.2020	Vigilance Awareness Week-2020 – Presidential Address in the Webinar on Crimes against Women & Children	Through Virtual Platform	School of Science, TNOU	
30	10.11.2020	Conducted Orientation Programme for Regional Joint Directors, Directorate of Collegiate Education/ Programme Co-ordinators of TNOU regarding conduct of programmes through 91 Govt Arts Colleges recognized as LSCs of TNOU		Student Support Services Division (SSSD), TNOU	
30	11.11.2020	Celebration of National Education Day and delivered Presidential Address	Thiruvalluar Mini Auditorium, Academic Block, TNOU	Faculty of Education, TNOU	
31	11.11.2020	Vice Chancellor's Meeting with all Faculty Members on Academic Programmes	Thiruvalluar Mini Auditorium, Academic Block, TNOU	TNOU	
32	11.11.2020	Vice Chancellor's Meeting with all Regional Directors and Division Heads on Academic Affairs	Thiruvalluar Mini Auditorium, Academic Block, TNOU	TNOU	
33	04.12.2020	Attended selection committee meeting for selecting Registrar of Thiruvalluar University as Government Nominee	Thiruvalluar University Vellore	Thiruvalluar University, Vellore	
34	10.12.2020	Consultancy meeting with Staff of School of Education	Pondicherry University	Pondicherry University, Puducherry	
35	14.12.2020	Attended National Webinar on Kamdhenu Chair	Through Virtual Platform	Ministry of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Government of India	
36	15.12.2020	Inaugurated orientation Programme for the Co- Coordinators of TNOU LSCs, LRCs & CCs under Villupuram Region	Conference Hall, TNOU TNOU Regional Centre & Regional Centre, Constituent Community Colle Villupuram Villupuram		
37	16.12.2020	Inspected Tiruchirapalli Regional Centre & Contacted Ph.D ,Viva – Voce at Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli	IECD, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli	Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli	
38	20.12.2020	Attended World Youth Festival, 2020 and Facilitated to the Participants	Through Virtual Platform	UNIFEST FAMILY, New Delhi	
39	24.12.2020	Attended National Webinar on National Education Policy 2020 Opportunities for ODL	Through Virtual Platform	Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Maharashtra	
40	29.12.2020	Inaugurated Orientation Programme for the Co- Coordinators of TNOU LSCs, LRCs & CCs under Chennai Region	Thiruvalluvar, Mini Auditorium, TNOU	TNOU Regional Centre & Constituent Community College, Chennai	



### **Accomplishment of Faculty Members**

### Faculty Members - Organize, Attend Programs & Publish paper

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S.No	Name of Faculty	No.of Programme Organised	No.of Programme Attended	No.of Paper Published
1	Dr. P. Thiyagarajan	1	19	1
2	Dr. S. Balasubramanian	1	4	
3	Dr. M. V. Sudhakaran	5	1	
4	Dr.M.Manivannan	2	2	5
5	Dr. S. Subramanian	1	2	1
6	Dr. N. Dhanalakshmi		1	8
7	Dr. K. S. Premila		3	
8	Dr. T. Ravi Manickam		1	1
9	Dr. R. Tamilmaran		1	1
10	Dr.T. Sampath Kumar	1		
11	Er. R. Meenambigai	2	1	1
12	Dr. M. Vaiyapuri	1	1	
13	Er. N. Sivashanmugam		1	
14	Dr. D. Vinoth Kumar		1	
15	Dr. K. S. Ramakrishnan	1	1	
16	Dr. P. Rajasekaran	1		
17	Dr. D. Sumathi		3	6
18	Dr. C. Barathi	1		
19	Dr. P. Pandia Vadivu	1		1
20	Dr. B. Anupama Devi	1		
21	Dr. N. Saranya Devi			3
22	Dr. S. Aranganathan	1	6	
23	Dr. R. Mahendran	2		
24	Dr. A. S. Arul Lawrence	1		
25	Mr. R. M. Tamil Selvan	1		1
26	Dr. P. Chitra	2		
27	Dr.K. Katturajan	5	2	
28	Dr. C. Karthikeyan	1		
29	Mrs. J. Renee Arathi		2	1
30	Dr. S. Vinod Kanna	1		
31	Dr. N. Saravanakumar	2	1	
32	Dr. I. Ambeth	1		
33	Dr. D. Thirumalraja		2	
34	Dr. P. Shanmugavelan		3	2
35	Dr. E. Eniyan	1		1
36	Dr. E. Kumar	2	9	6
37	Dr. R. Pragadheeswari	2	1	1
38	Dr. R. Kalaiarasi	1	4	3
39	Dr. S. Anantharamakrishnan	_	1	-
40	Dr.R.Arumugam	1	3	
41	Ms.S.Sakila	1	6	



	Faculty Members served as Resource Persons				
	Dr.S.Subramanian				
Date	Event	Delivered Talk on			
07.11. 2020	National Seminar on The Impact of Digital Transformation of Commerce & Management, Guru Shree Shantivijai Jain College for Women, Chennai	Trade Policy in Digital Era			
	Dr. N. Dhanalakshmi				
28.11.2020	Lady Willingdon Institute of Advanced Study in Education, (Autonomous) Chennai - 600005	India's Constitution Day			
Dr.B. Anupama Devi					
21.05.2020	Online Lecture Series on Interventional Strategies for Children with Special Needs	Early Educational Strategies for Children with Hearing Impaired			

# Popular Articles Written in Dailies & Magazines by Faculty Members

	முனைவர் சு. பாலசுப்பிரமணியன்				
S.No	Date of Issue	Name of the Journal			
1	1 16.08.2020 எழுத்தாளர் சா. கந்தசாமி என்றும் நம்மோடு இருப்பவர் கல்கி வார இ				
	Dr.R. Mahendran				
1	21.08.2020	Distance Education, an Option of Learning without Restrictions	The Times of India		
2	28.08.2020	Quality a Concern for Distance Education under New Education Policy	The Times of India		

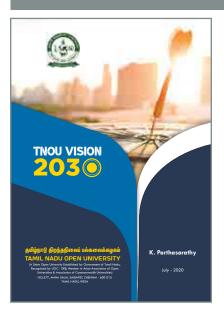
# **Research Proposal Submitted by Faculty Members**

	Prof.P.Thiyagarajan & Er.R.Meenambigai					
S.No	S.No Date Title of the Project		Name of the Funding Agency			
1	19-09-2020	Gender Grants 2020 (1000 GBP Duration – 6 months)	Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), UK			
	Dr. N. Dhanalakshmi & Dr. K.S. Ramakrishnan					
1	1 19-09-2020 Gender Grants 2020 (1000 GBP Duration – 6 months)		Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), UK			
	Dr.T.Ravimanickam					
1	10-12-2020	Advanced Diploma in Science Laboratory Technician (ADSLT)	Directorate of Collegiate Education, Chennai			
2	22-12-2020	Orientation Programme for Science Laboratory Technician (A Short –Term Certificate Programme)	Directorate of Collegiate Education, Chennai			

# Faculty Development Programme completed by Faculty Members

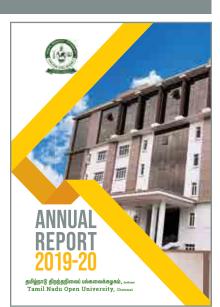
Name of Faculty	Date	Programme	Institution	
Dr.P.Thiyagarajan	02-11- 2020 to 02-12- 2020			
Dr.S.Balasubramanian			Commonwealth Educational Media Centre	
Er.R. Meenambigai		Learners	for Asia(CEMCA) and Odisha State Open	
Dr.M. Vaiyapuri			University (OSOU), Odisha	
Dr.B.Anupama Devi				
	07-12-2020	International Online Short		
Ms.S.Sakila	to	Term Course on Library and	Bharadhidasan University and Madras Library Association	
	11-12-2020	Information Science		

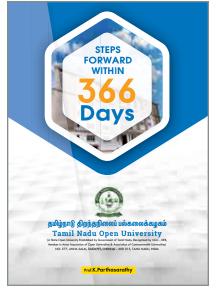


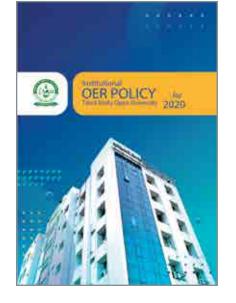


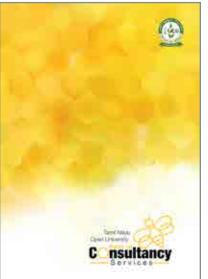
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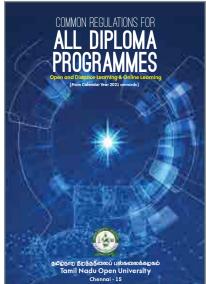




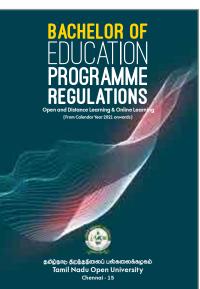






















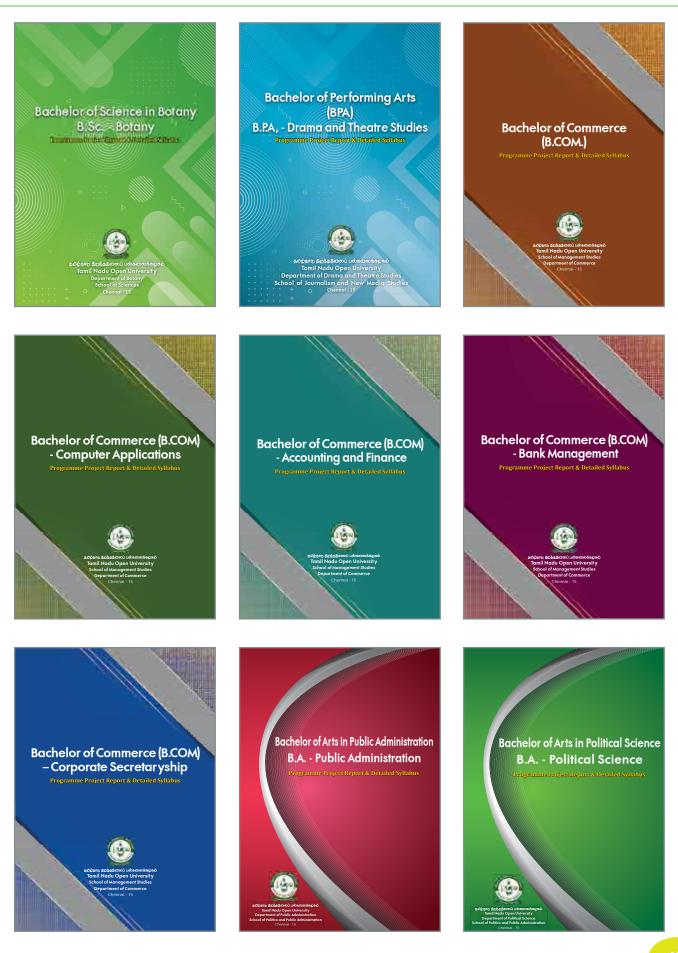


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