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About the Internal Quality Assurance Cell

S.T. Hindu college attempts to chisel out the total quality through a persistent focus on imparting quality education, through its innovative, comprehensive and flexible education policy. Its Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) carries out activities that encompass all aspects of the Institute's functioning. The IQAC takes initiatives in enhancing quality through various activities connecting the students, staff, alumni, employers, and community. It ensures the best learning system by integrating innovative technology-driven teaching methods that can prepare the students to be compact with global workplaces

Vision of the IQAC

"To build and ensure a quality culture aimed at all round excellence at the institutional level."

Mission of the IQAC

- Acting as a nodal agency of the institution for coordinating quality-related activities, including adoption and dissemination of best practices.
- Facilitating the creation of a learner-centric environment conducive to quality education and faculty maturation to adopt the required knowledge and technology for participatory teaching and learning process.
- Dissemination of information on various quality parameters of higher education
- Promotion of research culture among staff and students.
- Organization of inter and intra institutional workshops, seminars on quality related themes and promotion of quality circles
- Documentation of the various programmes/activities leading to quality improvement.

Goals of the IQAC

- To develop a system to improve the academic and administrative performance of the institution.
- To promote measures for institutional functioning towards quality enhancement through internalization of quality culture and institutionalization of best practices.
- To take steps for periodic internal academic audit of the teaching, learning and research activities.

Objectives of the IQAC

1. Improvement in quality of teaching and research by regular inputs to all concerned based on feedback from students.
2. Providing inputs for best practices in administration for efficient resource utilization and better services to students and staff.
3. Providing inputs for Academic Audit and analysis of results for improvement in areas found weak.

Strategies of the IQAC

- Ensuring timely, efficient and progressive performance of academic, administrative and financial tasks
- Implementation of modern methods of teaching and learning
- Execution of Outcome Based Education
- Ensuring the adequacy, maintenance of support structure and services
- Initiations to capability enhancement programs and MoU's



From the Chairman's Table

It brings me great pleasure and privilege to write in the newsletter published by our prestigious S.T. Hindu College and thereby express my utmost excitement in bringing to your knowledge about the remarkable progress we have made and are making in the field of education here in our institution.

We are proud of informing that have been providing a lot of financial assistance in the segment of art, technology and research facilities, with the hope that our students are ensured with multiple access to the latest resources and tools for their educational advancements. This commitment of our faculties providing excellence in learning, followed by quality teaching with outstanding academic performances has paved the way for our students to accomplish numerous accolades in various national and international competitions.

Over the past few years, we have embarked on an ambitious plan to upgrade and expand our facilities. I am pleased to announce that we have successfully completed several major projects that enhance the overall infrastructure of our college at par with the international standards. Our Library, considered as the brain of our institution, has been decorated with significant renovations, and upgraded with modern equipments and materials. Our aim is to encourage innovation and provide our students with all the opportunities to enhance their practical skills, setting them up for an extraordinary success in their forthcoming endeavours.

Our continued focus on infrastructure development enhances the overall experience of our college community in years to come. I sincerely thank all the faculties and non-teaching staffs for their continuous immense support in all our present and forthcoming commitments. Together let us create an opportunity for exceptional learning environment that fosters growth, curiosity and success with utmost piety.

-Dr. A. Nagarajan, M.S., FAIS.



The Principal's Note

As the principal of this esteemed institution, I firmly believe that education is the most powerful tool we can offer our students. It equips them not only with knowledge but also with the skills and wisdom required to overcome challenges, flourish in their chosen fields, and contribute meaningfully to society. It is with this core belief in mind that we have prioritized educational development as a central pillar of our strategic vision.

I am thrilled to witness the innovative initiatives and programs that have been introduced in recent times, all aimed at enhancing the educational experience of our students. Our exceptional team of faculty members, together with dedicated staff, have adopted a student-centric approach that fosters intellectual curiosity, critical thinking, and a love for lifelong learning.

I would like to express my deepest appreciation to the college IQAC team for their outstanding work in registering these transformative moments. Through their creative, insightful, thought-provoking ideas, and captivating visuals, they have played a pivotal role in portraying the spirit of our institution and the educational development we continuously strive for.

As we move forward, let us continue to celebrate our achievements while remaining focused on the path ahead. Together, we can build on our successes, identify areas for improvement, and work towards a brighter future for our college and the community it serves.

Once again, my heartfelt appreciation to the entire IQAC team for their valuable contributions. Let us stay connected, walking hand in hand to further strengthen the educational fabric of our institution.

- Dr. T.M. Padmanabhan, M.Com., MBA., M.Phil., Ph.D.



The Coordinator's Message

As the IQAC (Internal Quality Assurance Cell) Coordinator, I am delighted to witness the incredible efforts put forth by our faculty and staff in enhancing the teaching-learning process at our esteemed institution.

In recent years, technology has become an indispensable tool, revolutionizing the way we teach and learn. It has brought about dynamic changes by facilitating interactive and engaging educational experiences that foster critical thinking, creativity, and collaboration. Leveraging various technological tools in the classroom presents limitless possibilities for both educators and students to explore, effectively leading to an augmented teaching-learning environment.

It is essential for us as an institution to embrace these technological advancements and provide our faculty with the necessary support and resources to effectively integrate technology into their teaching methodologies. Additionally, we must continue to invest in infrastructure and equipment to ensure smooth integration and equal access for all students.

As the IQAC Coordinator, I encourage all faculty members to explore the latest trends and best practices in educational technology, attend workshops, and participate in professional development programs to enhance their digital literacy and stay at the forefront of this ever-evolving educational landscape.

Let us continue to inspire innovation, collaboration, and academic excellence by leveraging technology as a catalyst for growth and learning. Thank you for your invaluable contributions in showcasing our institution's progress, and I look forward to witnessing the inspiring stories of how technology has positively impacted our students' educational journey in the forthcoming years.

- Dr. K. Pazhanikumar, MCA., M.Phil., Ph.D.



Composition of the IQAC

Name	Position
Dr. T. M. Padmanabhan	Chairman
Dr. K. Pazhanikumar	Co-Ordinator
Dr. A. Nagarajan	Member
Dr. C. Manickavasagam	Member
Dr. M. Mathevan Pillai	Member
Dr. S. Sivasankaran	Member
Dr. C.L. Jakson Paul Durai	Member
Dr. K.U. Madhu	Member
Dr. M. Uma Maheswari	Member
Dr. T. Prakasam	Member
Dr. S. Vahitha	Member
Dr. B. Sivagami	Member
Tmt.B. Valliammal	Member
Students' Union Chairman	Member
Mr.M. Ayyavoo	Member
Mr.M. Ponnuraj	Member
Mr.V. Gandhinathan	Member
Mr.A. Perumal Pillai (Advocate)	Member
Mr. Azeem Mohamed (General Manager, RBI, Trivandrum)	Member

Admission

Our college has gladly welcomed 688 Under Graduate and 377 Post Graduate students across various departments in this academic year. Besides, 45 students have enrolled for research programmes in our institution.

NPTEL Local Chapter

Local Chapter for NPTEL (National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning) has been established at S.T. Hindu College from September 2023, a project initiated and funded by Ministry of Education, Government of India. NPTEL is a joint initiative between IITs, IIMs and IISc to offer online courses and certification in Humanities, Basic Sciences, Computer Science and Management.

Dr. K.Pazhanikumar, Head, Department of Computer Science has been selected as the SPOC for NPTEL Local Chapter.

Naan Mudhalvan Inauguration

Inauguration ceremony of Naan Mudhalvan courses was organized on 20.07.2023. Naan Mudhalvan platform aims to provide dynamic information for college students on courses and relevant information about industry specific skill offerings.

TNEA Facilitation Centre

S.T. Hindu College served as a Facilitation centre for Tamil Nadu Engineering Admission for the academic year 2023-24.



SSR Submission

With the meticulous effort of IQAC team members, our college has submitted the Self-Study Report (SSR) for NAAC III cycle.

Academic Council

The First Academic Council meeting for the new academic year 2023-24 was held on 15.05.2023. The agenda and minutes were placed for the approval of the Principal.

New Block Opening Ceremony



The Opening ceremony of two new academic blocks, “Chithirai Thirunal Block” and “Chithranjan Dhas Block” was held on 28.06.2023. Princess Aswathi Thirunal Gowri Lakshmi Bayi and Thiru M. Appavu, The Speaker, Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly were the chief guests during the ceremony. The new blocks consist of 12 spacious classrooms to accommodate 4 departments.



IQAC Room Opening Ceremony

The new IQAC Room with state-of-art facilities was opened on 28.06.2023 by Princess Aswathi Thirunal Gowri Lakshmi Bayi.

MoU Signed



The college has signed an MoU with VTM NSS College, Dhanuvachapuram, Kerala to foster an academic collaboration/ linkage through mutual cooperation in teaching, research, innovation and skill development within the academic community.

CDP (2023-24) Inauguration

The inauguration ceremony of Career Development Programme for the academic year 2023-24 was organized at college auditorium on 09.09.2023.

Dr. A. Nagarajan, Chairman presided over the function. Dr. T.M. Padmanabhan, Principal, Dr. B. Sivagami, Director (SF) and other dignitaries and luminaries were present during the ceremony.



Awareness Creation Programme

Our College organized a programme to create awareness about RTI act 2005 among students on 12.10.2023. Adv. A. Sobhana Kumaran Nair served as the chief guest during the event.



Student Induction Programme



S.T. Hindu College conducted the Student Induction Programme from 20th September, 2023 as per UGC Guidelines. The Student Induction Programme (SIP) was to create awareness in students regarding Socializing, Associating, Governing and Experiencing.

Free Health Checkup

A Free medical checkup camp for staffs was organized within the campus by the college, in collaboration with Ponjesly Super specialty Hospital on 13.10.2023.



Chairman's Mid-Day Meals Scheme

The College has introduced free mid-day meals scheme to provide a nutritious and sumptuous meal daily to the deserving students of our college. This Philanthropic initiative started by our beloved Chairman Dr. A. Nagarajan, helps students in the institution belonging to the economically disadvantaged sections with a healthy meal every day.



77th Independence Day Celebration

The 77th Independence Day of the nation was celebrated with patriotic fervour and enthusiasm at S.T. Hindu College. Our Chairman Dr. A. Nagarajan hoisted the flag during the ceremony. Principal Dr. T.M. Padmanabhan along with other dignitaries were present. This was followed by cultural performances by students. The celebrations concluded with solemn lunch.



Self-Finance Library Inauguration



The revamped library of Self-Finance stream was inaugurated on 03.08.2023. Chairman Dr. A. Nagarajan opened the renovated library hall. Dr. T. M. Padmanabhan, Principal, Dr. B. Sivagami, Director, Self-Finance and other dignitaries were present during the opening ceremony. Students, faculties and non-teaching staffs were also present.

Onam Celebration



Onam, a traditional festival of our neighbouring state Kerala, was celebrated at our college campus on 28.08.23 to promote cultural harmony among students. Students were present in Traditional wear during this function. The Celebration was vivid with the colours of Onam enhancing the spirit of festivity. Number of cultural events, games and competitions were organized on the day.

Saraswathi Pooja Celebration

On the auspicious day of 'Saraswathi Pooja', the students and faculty of S.T. Hindu College came together to seek the blessings of the goddess of knowledge, music, art and culture.

The event was celebrated with a lot of devotion and dedication by worshiping Goddess Saraswati, who is the fountain head of all learning and art forms.

Students worshipped to seek wisdom, artistic and technical skills, academic excellence and a good heart. The ritual was graced with the presence of all the students, staff and faculty.



Teachers' Day Celebration

The Teachers' Day was celebrated by the students of S.T. Hindu College in their respective departments on 5th September to express their gratitude for the immense contribution put forth by their teachers towards their development.



Students' Union Election



S.T. Hindu College Students' Union Election was held on 31 October, 2023. The following students were elected as representatives,
President: P. Sam (III BA English)
Secretary: R. Sreeram (III B. Com)

Amrit Kalash Yatra

NSS units of S.T. Hindu College organized the Amrit Kalash Yatra under 'MMMD' campaign - 2023. Principal Dr. T.M. Padmanabhan led the yatra carrying the Amrit Kalash which consisted the soil and rice brought by the students of various departments of the college from their homes and villages. Kalash was carried as a symbol of India's unity and integrity. This campaign proved to rekindle the spirit of patriotism among the students.



Rotaract STHC



The inauguration ceremony of Rotaract Club of S.T. Hindu College Elite was organized on 19.09.2023. Dr. A. Nagarajan, Chairman, Dr. T. M Padmanabhan, Principal, Dr. B. Sivagami, Director (SF), Rtn. PHF. Sylvester Klayas, President, Rotary Club of Nagercoil, Rtn. PP. PAG. Dr. P. K. Arunesh, District Rotaract Chairman, Rtn. M. Biju Fidelis, District Youth Service Chairman were present during the ceremony.

Palm Seed Plantation

Students of S.T. Hindu College NSS Units, on 28.09.2023, took part in the massive campaign initiated by the Tamil Nadu Palm Workers Welfare Board, in collaboration with the Green Nida Ecosystem and the State Welfare Work Program, to sow ten million palm seeds in the coastal regions of Tamil Nadu, aiming to encourage palm tree cultivation. Principal of our institution, Dr. T.M. Padmanabhan, participated in the campaign and encouraged the students.



1000 Saplings Plantation



The NSS of S.T. Hindu College, as a part of 'Meri Maati Mera Desh' (MMMD) campaign, continuing with its tradition of preserving the environment and having ecofriendly activities, conducted the "Tree Saplings Plantation" on 04.08.2023. 1000 saplings were planted on the campus of S.T. Hindu College.



Awareness Programme on Anti-Drug and Anti-Ragging



An Awareness Programme on Anti-Drug and Anti-Ragging was organized by Anti-Drug awareness cell in association with Anti-Ragging Cell and NSS, S. T. Hindu College on 09.08.2023

NSS Day Celebration

NSS Day was celebrated on 04.10.2023 at S.T. Hindu College. Dr. T. M. Padmanabhan, Principal, presided over the function. Chief guest of the ceremony, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University NSS Coordinator Dr. A. Veliappan delivered a talk to the students. Around 400 NSS student volunteers along with the Programme Officers took part in the event.



Walkathon



The National Service Scheme unit of S.T. Hindu College jointly organized a walkathon with Freemasons, Kanyakumari to commemorate "Universal Brotherhood" day, on the theme "Say 'no' to Drugs". The event was executed flawlessly, leaving a lasting impact on all participants



Eye Checkup and Eye Donation Awareness Camp



Free Eye Checkup and Eye Donation Awareness Camp for Students and Staff was organized by Dr. Agarwals Eye Hospital & NSS Unit in campus on 21.09.2023.

The camp began at 10.30 am with a brief inaugural function at the college auditorium in the presence of Chairman Dr. A. Nagarajan, who presided over the function. More than 1000 members participated in Eye camp which included teaching & nonteaching staff, students.



International Yoga Day



On 21 June, 2023, S.T. Hindu College celebrated the International Yoga Day with great enthusiasm. The objective of this year's celebration, themed "Yoga for Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam," was to connect with a larger global community and promote the widespread adoption of yoga in every village in India.

YRC Orientation Programme

S.T. Hindu College organized an YRC Orientation Programme on 20.07.2023. D.N. Hari Kiran Prasad, Superintendent of Police, Kanyakumari District, was the resource person of the event, who delivered a detailed lecture about the Red Cross Society. Dr. A. Nagarajan, Chairman and Dr. T.M. Padmanabhan, Principal were present during the event.



World Food Day- 2023

On 16 October 2023, as a part of the World Food Day celebration, a seminar was organized for the volunteers of the NSS units of S.T. Hindu College. Dr. S.J. Sreeja, Asst. Prof., Dept. of Zoology served as the resource person and delivered a talk.



Awareness Programme on Parthenium Eradication

An awareness programme on parthenium eradication was conducted at S.T. Hindu College on 12.09.2023, organized by NSS. Resource person Dr. V. Mary Henza, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Botany delivered a talk on the harmful effects of parthenium on both humans and biodiversity.



Blood Donation Camp

A Blood donation camp was organized on 10.10.2023 by our YRC, S.T. Hindu College, in collaboration with Indian Red Cross Society, through which more than 60 units of blood was donated by both students and the staff members of our prestigious institution.



Awareness programme on Anti-Corruption

On account of anti-corruption week, S.T. Hindu College Youth Red Cross in association with Directorate of Vigilance and Anti-Corruption organized an awareness programme on Anti-Corruption on 03.11.2023.



International Conference on Eco-Restoration for Natural Resource Management

S.T. Hindu College hosted an International Conference on Eco-Restoration for Natural Resources Management (ICER NaRm 2023) with the theme on Natural Resources for Livelihood Enhancement, in collaboration with the Society for Advancement of Biological Sciences, Bangalore, Rift Valley Centre of Hawassa University, Ethiopia, Volta Brems, Ghana on 24 and 25 August, 2023. Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli and University of Kerala, Trivandrum extended their technical support in conducting the special sessions.

The conference focused on themes relating to biodiversity conservation and management, biotechnology for sustainable development, aquaculture and fisheries for sustainable livelihood and environment and eco restoration.



Prof. D. Parameswaran Pillai Endowment Lecture

Department of Physics organized an Endowment Lecture on the topic “Congruence of Quantum Physics & Siddha Fundamental Principles” on 12.09.2023. Dr. P. Sathiyarajeswaran, Scientist IV & Incharge, Siddha Regional Research Institute, Puducherry served as the resource person.



Awareness Programme on Go Green

Department of Botany in association with Inner Wheel Club of Nagercoil organized an “Awareness Programme on Create a Go Green” on 13.09.2023. Dr. T.M. Padmanabhan, Principal, presided over the programme Mrs. B. Kalaiselvi, Rtd. Teacher, St. Xavier High School served as the chief guest. Dignitaries of ‘Inner Wheel Club of Nagercoil’ were present during the event.



Special Lecture

Department of Zoology organized a special lecture on “Stem Cells in Regenerative Medicine”, delivered by Dr. Rajasingh Johnson, Professor, Department of Bioscience Research, University of Tennessee Health Science Center, USA on 08.09.2023.



National Conference on “Tamil Kaapiyangalil Panpattu Koorugal”

Department of Tamil in association with The New Century Book House Pvt. Ltd., Chennai organized a National Conference on “Tamil Kaapiyangalil Panpattu Koorugal” on 27.09.2023 at T.S. Ramaswamy Hall. Chairman Dr. A. Nagarajan presided over the inauguration ceremony. Dr. U. Karuppathevan, Assistant Professor & Head i/c, Dept. of Literary Criticism, School of Tamil Studies, Madurai Kamaraj University delivered the key note address.



Traditional Food Awareness Programme

Hindecon Research centre, Department of Economics organized a Traditional Food Awareness Programme on July 28, 2023 at Namashivayam Hall. Mr. R. Ponnambalam, Managing Trustee, Create Trust- Save our Rice Movement delivered a talk on the topic “Importance of Traditional Food”



International Conference on “Sanga Ilakkiyangalil Velanmaiym Unavu Muraiyum”

Department of Tamil in Association with Pandian Educational Trust organized an International Conference on “Sanga Ilakkiyangalil Velanmaiym Unavu Muraiyum”. Dr. D. Maheswari, Pandian Educational Trust, Virudhunagar delivered the key note address. Conference proceedings were published in International peer reviewed journal ‘Chenkaantal’.



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