

DON BOSCO ARTS & SCIENCE COLLEGE, ANGADIKADAVU

Annual Report 2015-2016

Fr. Dr. Francis Karackat, Principal

Don Bosco Arts & Science College, Angadikadavu is unquestionably Kannur University's Unparalleled Institute of Higher Education. Grooming generations and leaving legacies, we are on a very challenging mission in a media-driven world: to mould intellectually competent, morally upright, socially committed, civically responsible, and spiritually inspired persons.

With a humble beginning in November 2003, with two postgraduate courses, MCJ (Master of Communication and Journalism) and MSW (Master of Social Work), Don Bosco Arts & Science College is currently recognized as the most sought-after self-financing College in Kannur University, 899 students, 53 Faculty Members and Nine Non-Teaching Staff. Presently there are eleven academic programmes: four postgraduate and seven undergraduate courses: MCJ, MSW, MA English Literature, MCom Finance, BCom Computer Applications, BCom Cooperation, BA English Literature, BSc Mathematics, BBA, BCA, and BSW. Three new courses are likely to be launched next academic year: MSc Mathematics, BCom Finance, and BSc Psychology.

The Annual Report is crafted with the Values Charter of Don Bosco Arts & Science College envisaged in our Handbook and in our official website www.donbosco.ac.in as the Frame of Reference.

1. Academic Excellence

Placing Academic Excellence right on top in our Values Charter, we declared: "We value rigorous intellectual pursuit. The large number of students who secured A Grade and Ranks in the University Examinations bears testimony to the quality of education imparted at Don Bosco Arts & Science College. Here is the list of those who secured A Grade in the University examinations:

1. Ranjith Gopi

BSc Mathematics Semester II

2. Sanjo George

BSc Mathematics Semester II

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| 3. Sanu Mathew | BSc Mathematics Semester II |
| 4. Sreeshma Ganeshan | BSc Mathematics Semester II |
| 5. Sruthi Johny | BSc Mathematics Semester II |
| 6. Rintu Thomas | BSc Mathematics Semester II |
| 7. Anugraha Raj | BSc Mathematics Semester II |
| 8. Roselin P Jose | BSc Mathematics Semester IV |
| 9. Leenu Joy | BSc Mathematics Semester IV |
| 10. Nimisha Babu | BSc Mathematics Semester IV |
| 11. Rosena Baby | BSc Mathematics Semester IV |
| 12. Ann Maria John | BSc Mathematics Semester IV |
| 13. Aishwarya Madhu | BA English Literature Semester II |
| 14. Neha Mary | BA English Literature Semester II |
| 15. Anugraha Jose | BA English Literature Semester II |
| 16. Ashitha K. | BA English Literature Semester II |
| 17. Athira Kishore | BA English Literature Semester II |
| 18. Mighil G. Nair | BA English Literature Semester II |
| 19. Greeshma Johny | BA English Literature Semester III |
| 20. Ann. Treessa Benny | BA English Literature Semester III |
| 21. Vinaya Peter | BA English Literature Semester III |
| 22. Jisna Jolly | BCom Cooperation Semester II |
| 23. Anila Joseph | BCom Cooperation Semester II |
| 24. Surya P S | BCom Cooperation Semester II |
| 25. Aiswarya Roy | BCom Cooperation Semester II |
| 26. Sebi Anson | BCom Computer Applications Semester II |
| 27. Priyanka Mathew | BCom Computer Applications Semester II |
| 28. Delna Joseph | BCom Computer Applications Semester II |
| 29. Kripa N.S. | BCA Semester I |

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| Anila Stanly | First Rank for MSW in Kannur University |
| Vipin K. J. | Third Rank for MSW in Kannur University |
| Jose Thomas | Second Rank for MCJ in Kannur University |

Fr. Sebastian Thomas Third Rank for MCJ in Kannur University
Phuvitto Emmanuel from MA English cleared National Eligibility Test (NET) and
secured Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)

Here are some notable contributions of Staff and Students in academia:

- **Principal** delivered the keynote address and presented a paper on “Ethics in Newspaper Journalism in Kerala”, for a UGC-sponsored National Seminar at Bishop Moore College, Mavelikara, Kerala University,
- Addressed a select group of journalists and journalism Faculty members at a three-day workshop organized by the Kerala Media Academy, and presented a paper on “The Current Challenges of Training in Ethical Journalism.”
- Took a five-hour session for doctors and teachers on “Grooming a Media Literate Generation” at Hridayaram Community College, Kannur University
- **Fr. Bastin Nellisery**, Vice-Principal and Head of the Department of Journalism delivered a series lectures on “Symbols in Communication” at Kristu Jyothi College, Bangalore
- **Ajith Kumar**, Assistant Professor, Department of Journalism completed Film Appreciation Course from the prestigious Film and Television Institute of India, Pune.
- **Arun Krishnan**, Assistant Professor in the department of Commerce was awarded MPhil from Bharatiyar University.
- **Roshin Thomas and Arun Krishnan**, Faculty Members in the department Commerce published a paper on “Consumer Behavior towards Online Shopping” in ‘International Journal of Business Administration and Research Review’.
- **Roshin Thomas & Deepthy Joseph** Assistant Professors from the Department of Commerce published a paper on “Effectiveness of E-Payment in Agricultural Sector” in the ‘International Journal of Business and Management’.
- **Stenza Augustine**, Assistant Professor in the department of English presented a paper on ‘Representation of Women in Malayalam Horror Films’ in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar at St. George College, Aruvithara, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam.
- **Anu A.S.**, Assistant Professor in the department of English presented a paper on Supernatural Elements in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar at St. George College, Aruvithara, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam.

- **Roshin Thomas**, Assistant Professor in the Department of Commerce presented a paper on “Companies Act 2013 and Corporate Governance” in a National Seminar at Govinda Pai Memorial Government College, Manjeswaram, sponsored by the Directorate of Collegiate Education, Government of Kerala.
- Presented another paper on “IFRS: Opportunities and Challenges ”in a UGC-sponsored National Seminar at St. Joseph’s College College, Devagiri, Calicut
- **Jaise Mathew**, Assistant Professor in the Department of Social Work presented a paper on “Delinquent Behavior of Children” in the UGC- sponsored National Seminar at BCM College, Kottayam, Mahatma Gandhi University
- **Previn P.F.**, Assistant Professor in the department of Journalism presented a paper on “Paid News Syndrome” in a UGC-sponsored National Seminar at Government Brennen College, Thalassery.
- **Jeo Jose** from BCom Computer Applications has authored a simplified textbook for BCom Students: **Income Tax Law & Practice** to equip them for university examinations
- **Eight students from MA English Literature**, Manu Baby, Phuvitto, Ajesh, Nikhil, Nidhin, Jyothish, Sebastian and Amalraj presented papers on “New Trends in Postcolonial Literature” in a UGC-sponsored National Seminar at Nirmalagiri College, Koothuparamba.
- **Three students from MA English Literature, Manu, Ajesh and Jyothish** presented papers on “Diaspora and Imagined Communities” in a UGC-sponsored National Seminar at St. Aloysius College, Mangalore

2. CAPABILITY ENHANCEMENT

Capability Enhancement is one of the key ingredients of our Values Charter. Our Values Charter states:”We value self-actualization of students with the optimum utilization of their potentials.”

The dazzling performances of our students from various departments in multifarious fields authenticate our proficiency in capability Enhancement.

In a University of 162 affiliated colleges and campuses, Don Bosco Arts & Science College, secured THIRD place in the University Arts Fest in off-stage items and had the ninth place in the final tally with on-stage and off-stage items combined, held at

Brennen College, Thalassery. It is an amazing accomplishment particularly because we are a Self-Financing College, being in existence for a short span of 12 years.

In off-stage items:

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| Jisni K. Jois from MCJ | First Prize in Malayalam Poem Writing |
| Cibel Prems from MCJ | First Prize in Computer Designing |
| Jisni K. Jois from MCJ | First Prize in Malayalam Short Story Writing |
| Suzenna Babu from BCom Computer Applications | Second Prize for Short Story Writing in English |
| Jisni K. Jois from MCJ | Second Prize in Script Writing for Documentary Malayalam |
| Shilpa Santhosh from BBA | Second Prize for English Recitation |
| Namitha Lizbeth from MCJ | Second Prize for Essay Writing in English |
| Arvind Barnabas from MCJ | Second Prize for Essay Writing in Hindi |
| Phuvitto Emmanuel from MA | Third Prize for English Poem Writing |
| Arvind Baranabas from MCJ | Third Prize for Fiction Script Writing in Hindi |
| Fr. Jeemon Francis and Akhin Mariya from MCJ | Third Prize for Debate in Malayalam |

In On-stage Items:

Namitha Lizbeth from MCJ won the First Prize for Western Music Solo
Delna Francis from MSW, **Anju K Paulose** from MSW, **Gracious George** from MA English, **Anuranj Manohar** from MCJ, **Jesna Kuriakose** from BA English, **Sachin James** from BSc Mathematics, **Surya P.S.** from BCom Cooperation and **Liya Tom** from BCom Computer Applications won the second prize for Group Song Malayalam
Anuranj Manohar from MCJ secured third prize for both Light Music and Ghazal with A Grade
Liya Tom from BCom Computer Applications had third prize with A Grade for Mappilappattu

The other major recognitions our students received during this academic year include:

- **Inter-University Management Fest at St. Joseph College, Pilathara**

Shamil Sherhan from BCA won the First Prize for Debugging, second prize for Coding.

Febin Michael, Alphonsa K.A., Jithin Nichavose and Shamil Sherhan from BCA had second prize for Treasure Hunt.

- **Intercollegiate Poster Making Competition at Nirmalagiri College, Koothuparamba**
First prize was secured by **Anaswara A.S. from BCom Cooperation** and the third prize was won by **Hridya P. from BA English Literature**

- **Intercollegiate Group Dance Competition at University Campus, Mangattuparamba:**

First Prize was won by Alan Alexander from BCom Cooperation, Alen Mendez, Elbin Joseph, Diana and Divya Devasia from BCom Computer Applications, Athira K. Louis from BSc Mathematics,

- **Management Fest at ITM College, Mayil:**

First Prize for Group Dance was won by Shilpa Santhosh from BBA, Alan Alexander from BCom Cooperation, Dayana from BCom Computer Applications, Athira Louis and Sachin James from BSc Mathematics.

- **IT Fest at Navajyothi College, Cherupuzha**

Shamil Sherhan and Jithin Nichovose from BCA won the second prize for IT Quiz.

- Vipina, Steffy, Kajal, and Gracious from MA English Literature and Anugraha Jose and Amal Babu from BA English Literature won the second Prize for Intercollegiate Drama contest and Ashitha K from BA English Literature won the first prize for English Versification at Lissah College, Thamarassery
- **Cibal Prens** won the first prize in Intercollegiate Film Poster Designing at BPC College Piravom
- **Akash Benny** from BCom Computer Applications won the third prize for shot put in Kannur University Sports Meet
- **Anas K.P.** from BCom Computer Applications won the National Level Junior Karate Championship

3. Interdependent Stewardship

Interdependent stewardship is a major component of our Values Charter. Our Value Charter says, “We value we-feeling, inclusive relationship and mutual accountability.”

Upholding the four pillars of education envisaged in the UNESCO Document on “Education in the 21st Century”: **Learning to Know, Learning to Do, Learning to Live Together and Learning To Be**, the staff and the students in our college, in an inspiring synergized and synchronized style, organized highly innovative Intercollegiate Fests and a substantially futuristic National Research Conference.

The Department of Commerce with the staff and the students of MCom Finance, BCom Computer Applications and BCom Cooperation working interdependently, with an incredible level of synergy, made COMET, the South Indian Commerce Fest, participated by over 250 delegates from other colleges, a thrilling experience for all. All because of the meticulous planning, and painstaking execution by teachers and students. The two water coolers, one in the UG Block and the other in the PG Block, sponsored by COMET 2015-2016, are an attestation to their prodigious organizational marvel and judicious financial management. Hearty Congratulations to Arun Krishnan and his team.

The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication organized the Fourth Edition of **DISC** (Don Bosco International Silverscreen Carnival), Kerala’s biggest residential campus film festival. With over 400 delegates from 60 campuses across South India, DISC was a brilliant feat, creating a sense of wonder, with the wide variety of exciting competitions and cultural extravaganza. The credit for its colossal success should go to Fr. Bastin and his team - to their creativity, team spirit, resourcefulness and originality.

The Department of Social Work, with the staff and students of MSW and BSW, made the **Two-Day National Conference** on “Sustainability in Empowerment and Environmentally Sensitive Development”, with 160 students and research scholars participating and presenting papers, an extraordinary intellectual treat. With a very seasoned style and a wide array of enlightening and entertaining packages, the National Conference this year was special and unique. The money astutely saved organizing the National Conference will be used for the construction of a house in Angadikadavu in collaboration with the Vincent De Paul Society of Angadikadavu Parish. We appreciate the commitment and assiduous work of Fr. Joby and his team.

Kattankaappi, the Dance and Music Club of our College showcased the dancing and musical talents of our students and pioneered an intercollegiate Dance and Music Fest. It was an out of the ordinary, stimulating and enlivening show. The members of Kattankappi, coming from different departments worked in tandem and made the programme a grand success.

4. Campus Recruitment and Placement Drive

Our Values Charter has English Proficiency and Soft Skill Training for a career suited to each one's aptitude as one of its constituents.

It is a matter of great pride to declare that the students who complete their studies here normally secure lucrative jobs. The Department of Journalism here has shaped 180 journalists for the mainstream media within a short span of 12 years. Our past pupils work as News Presenters, Programme Anchors, , Programme Producers, Reporters, Subeditors, Cameramen, and Visual Editors on leading Television Channels like Asianet News, Manorama News, Mathrubhumi News, Reporter, Amrita, Kairali, Jaihind, Jeevan, Surya, Media One and Doordarshan. Our students work as reporters and subeditors in mainstream newspapers: Times of India, The Hindu, The New Indian Express, Deccan Chronicle, Malayala Manorama, Mathrubhoomi, Deepika, Desabhimani and Mangalam. Over 30 students serve as lecturers in colleges and teachers in Plus Two.

About 75 students who completed MSW from here are working abroad, and the others, in various Government Departments, NGOs, and reputed organizations. They work with Childline, SOS Children's Village, Kudumbashree, National AIDS Control Organization, (NACO) Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS), Counsellors in Schools, Welfare Officers at Harrisons Malayalam Limited, KITEX, Anna Aluminium Limited, Century Apparels, and as Assistant Professors in Colleges.

The first batches of MA and MCom students who finished their studies in 2015 are also on track, with the placement drive going on in full swing.

We should feel proud of our institution because two leading Software Companies in India, WIPRO and TCS (Tata Consultancy Services), are at Don Bosco Institutes of Higher Education for Campus Recruitment to recruit candidates from various colleges in the districts of Kasaragod, Kannur, Wayanad and Kozhikode.

Sixteen students; Tom Josbin, Shamil Sherhan and Anumol E. J from 6th semester BCA, Suzanna Babu, Joyal George, Sherin P Thomas, Stephin Joy and Jerin Jose from 6th Semester BCom Computer Applications , and Sachin James, Saifin Thomas, Anoop Michael, Roselin P Jose, Athira K Louis and Melbin Mathew from 6th Semester BSc Mathematics got placement in Wipro.

TCS having just completed the Campus recruitment on Saturday 19th March is yet to release the final list.

In this academic year, to equip the students for a job:

- a certificate course in English Proficiency was offered for all,
- *The Hindu* Newspaper was made available for students from Monday to Friday at a discount rate of Rs. 90 per month,
- a short speech in English was being delivered by a student at the beginning of every hour in some batches regularly
- ‘Parivarthan’, a professional agency in Kochi offered a two-day soft skill training for BSc and BCA Final Semester Students,
- the Fourth semester BCA students had industrial visit to a leading IT Company, UST Global at Techno Park, Thiruvananthapuram,
- MCJ students had a visit to Mathrubhumi News Channel and Malayala Manorama Newspaper, Thiruvananthapuram after the International Film Festival of Kerala,
- BBA students had their industrial visit to three Companies: Rubco, Hawai and Marian Apparels.

5. The Other Breakthroughs in the Campus

- The newly constructed UG and Administrative Wings were blessed and made functional.
- A new Computer Lab was made for BCA and BSc Mathematics students
- Amphi Theatre for theatrical performances was opened
- MCJ Studio was additionally equipped with a Teleprompter for Television News Reading
- Mobile Messaging System was introduced to communicate with parents with the latest campus updates

- The NSS Camp at Kottiyoor during Christmas holidays was judged one of the best NSS camps in the University of Kannur
- Nature Club Members had a two-day refreshing Nature Camp at Aralam Farm.
- Fr. Joe Toms, a Redemptorist Priest was available as a full-time counselor for personal guidance for students

Conclusion

I must congratulate the College Union Chairman Seby Anson and all the other Union Members. They offered quality leadership without any fanfare, working hard silently, most of the time, behind the curtain, without vested interests and hidden agenda, with broadmindedness and transparency. The breeze that we relish from the wall fans in the auditorium in this boiling and scorching summer should go to the farsightedness and timely intervention of the College Union Members. Dear College Union Members, I feel proud of your inspiring and enlightened leadership.

We are grateful to God for His Providential Care, to St. John Bosco, our inspiration for his intercession, and to Mother Mary for her timely divine interventions.

I am indebted to both the teaching and non-teaching Staff for their commitment, team spirit, synergy, and loyalty.

And dear students, without your understanding, your docility, your openness and your compliance, everything would have collapsed. Thank you, dear students for your sense of belonging and allegiance to Don Bosco Arts & Science College, Kannur University's unparalleled Institute of Higher Education.