# DON BOSCO ARTS & SCIENCE COLLEGE, ANGADIKADAVU Annual Report 2016-2017

# College Day Celebrations, Friday, March 24, 2017 Chief Guest: Dr. P. Babu Anto, Controller of Examinations

Honorable Controller of Examinations of the University of Kannur, Dr. P. Babu Anto, , our Chief Guest, Fr. Dr. K. O. Thomas, Our Rector & College Manager, Sabio Baby Joseph, , our College Union Chairman, Nandanan P.K. Sir, Our PTA Vice-President, Fathers, Members of the Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff, Parents, College Union leaders and dear students,

It is an honor and a privilege to have Dr. P. Babu Anto as our Chief Guest. Dr. Babu Anto is a seasoned luminary in academic spectrum, and a man of wide experience and caliber, a team leader who has proved his credentials with his friendliness, approachability and an administrative officer with a blend of efficiency and human touch.

Having completed PG and Ph.D from Cochin University of Science and Technology, he served as Assistant Professor at the North Eastern regional Institute of Science & Technology, Itanagar in Arunachal Pradesh and later as the Associate Professor of the Department of Information Technology, University Campus, Mangattuparamba. He was a member of Kannur university Syndicate, the key decision making body in the University. His acceptability and recognition is testified by the very fact that he was the President of the Federation of University Teachers Association.

We were in a great predicament in the evening yesterday when the Registrar of the University of Kannur Dr. Balachandran Keezhoth informed us that he had to attend an unavoidable meeting in Trivandrum, convened by the Education Minister. It was an unprecedented setback. It was too late to find someone of academic standing in his place. The person I came to my mind first was Dr. Babu P. Anto. All my meetings with him in the past were very pleasant and memorable. I always experienced his simplicity and affinity to Don Bosco. He was at Don Bosco College earlier as the chief guest of the national seminar organized by the MCA Department. It was a wonderful experience being with him. Therefore, I just called him around 6 o 'clock in the evening sharing our anxieties and requesting him to adjust and make himself available to be our chief guest. Being an accomplished academician and an

administrative officer with a human touch, he empathized with us and complied with our request to be our chief guest. Thank you very much sir for your privileged presence, readjusting your busy schedule.

Since the video flash back screened before you had already given a bird's eye view of ongoing academic year, I shall be very short.

Don Bosco Arts & Science College, Angadikadavu is unquestionably Kannur University's Unparalleled Institute of Higher Education, grooming generations and leaving legacies, moulding 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 among the 76 unaided colleges in the University of Kannur, with 911 students, 59 Faculty Members and Nine Non-Teaching Staff. Presently there are eleven academic programmes: four postgraduate and seven undergraduate courses and we are awaiting sanction for three new courses after obtaining NOC from the Government of Kerala a month ago.

#### **University Arts Fest**

The most spectacular achievement during this academic year was our extraordinary performance in the University Arts Fest and in the University Level Tournaments. This year 92 students are eligible for grace marks because of the prizes won in university arts fest and games.

In University Arts Fest, 56 students secured A grade. Among them, 13 students won first prize with A Grade, 37 students won second prize with A grade and seven students won third prize with A Grade.

In University level intercollegiate tournaments, 34 students are eligible for grace marks, 12 of them in basketball, 9 of them in tug-of-war, 7 of them in Swimming, five of them in badminton and one in boxing.

#### **Academic Performance**

In the Third and fifth semester University examination results of the UG Courses announced by the University of Kannur a couple of days ago, 33 students from our college secured A Grade. 18 students missed A grade by a slender margin. In the last academic year, only four students had secured A grade in the University of Kannur for BA English Literature. Of the four, two were from our college, on was from Government College, Payyannur and the other was from PRNS college Mattannur. The highest number of students with B grade in the university is also from Don Bosco Arts & Science College. Out of 48 students who appeared for the examination, 10 students secured B Grade. It was the best result in the University in terms of percentage of pass (96%) and grade point.

Along with SES College, Sreekandapuram and Mary Matha College, Mananthavady, our college one of the best three colleges in Kannur University for **BSc Mathematics**. Of the 30 students who appeared for the examinations, five students bagged A grade, seven students had B plus and 11 of them had B Grade and 5 had C grade.

Among the 58 colleges offering **BCom course** in Kannur University, our college had the highest number of students (100 students) appearing for the examinations. 17 students had B plus grade and 39 students had B grade.

For BBA first batch last year, we had the second best result in the University. Among 40 students who appeared for the examination, 10 students secured B Grade and 17 students had C Grade.

The first BCA batch left from the college last year had the best result. Out of 24 students, 14 of them bagged B grade. The top scorers in MCJ and MSW in the University have consistently been from our college.

Mathrubhumi ,the leading daily in Malayalam selected five MCJ students from Angadikadavu Don Bosco Arts & Science College in the recruitment drive held here on 09th June 10, 2016.

Jithu Jacob, doing his Final Semester BSc Mathematics (2014 -17), is now at Lovely Professional University (LPU) in Jalandhar in the State of Punjab, representing the University of Kannur for the All India Inter University Tug of War Championship being organized from 20th to 26th December 2016.

In the maiden University Level Intercollegiate Tug-of-War competition held at Pius X College, Rajapuram, the students from Don Bosco Arts & Science College, Angadikadavu secured the third place in Kannur University. Defeating the seasoned players of SN College Kannur, the basketball team from Angadikadavu Don Bosco Arts & Science College, won the semifinals in the university level intercollegiate basketball tournament concluded on Wednesday, November 2, 2016.

58 final year students from various UG and PG programmes including MCJ, MCom, MSW, MA English Literature, BA English Literature, BCom and BSc Mathematics appeared for the test on Tuesday October 25, 2016, conducted as part of campus recruitment by Asianet News Channel, the No. 1 Malayalam 24-hour News Channel in Kerala.

The second edition of SLATE, the South Indian Literary Fest being held here will have a grand finale, with the privileged presence of chief guest Jayararj Warrier onOctober 15 and 16. Akza Jose from First Semester M.Com Finance, and Alna Raj from First Semester BSW were in the final rounds of university level women's intercollegiate badminton tournament, winning the third place in neck-and-neck contests.

About 300 non-Catholic students doing their undergraduate and postgraduate programmes here will undergo four-day Emotional Intelligence Proficiency Workshop, conducted by a leading Personality Development Training Team from Trivandrum.

About 800 Catholic students doing their undergraduate and postgraduate programmes here will participate in the four-day Inner Healing Spiritual Retreat, animated by the Sehion Retreat Centre Team, Attapady, the most sought-after spiritual renewal centre in Kerala.

The initiative was aimed at cultivating among students a sense of social responsibility' A humanitarian gesture of students of the Department of Social Work at Don Bosco Arts and Science College at Angadikkadavu here has resulted in the construction of a house for a homeless family of a farmhand. Chacko Naduviledath, a native of nearby Vaniyappara, is a farm hand struggling to earn a living to support his family. The landless family living in a rented house started dreaming of a house of their own when local parish of Angadikkadavu gave it 7.5 cents land for house construction. Rs. 4 lakh collected The students of the college put in their efforts to collect Rs. 4 lakh and volunteer their time to join the workers to construct the house. The initiative of the students supported by Department head Fr. Joby Maniyanikkal and student co-ordinator Jimmi Joseph took three months to reach its fruition. The key of the newly built

house was handed over to the family on August 17 which happened to be the first day of Malayalam month Chingam. "The initiative was promoted to cultivate among students a sense of social responsibility," said Fr. Maniyanikkal. Built in 101 days The house was constructed in 101 days with students themselves joining the workers, he said. While the students pooled in total Rs. 1,20,000, the rest was collected as donation from others, he added.

Don Bosco Arts & Science College has proved its credentials as an educational institute of excellence, with two of its students emerging as top scorers in Kannur University for **BA English Literature**. Greeshma Johny has the highest score (91%), with the CGPA coming to 3.62. The second highest score in the University is for Ann Treesa Benny (89%), with the CGPA 3.56. There are four students in the University with A grade. The other two are from PRNAS College, Mattannur, and Government College, Payyannur. The highest number of students with B grade in the university is also from Don Bosco Arts & Science College. Out of 48 students who appeared for the examination, 10 of them have B Grade. Securing the best result in the University in terms of percentage of pass (96%) and grade point, Don Bosco Arts & Science College is on a triumphant mode.

#### **Conclusion**

Before I conclude, I take this opportunity to congratulate the College Union Staff Advisors Biju John T Sir and Bibin Antony Sir, Arts Fest Co-ordinator Rajisha C.K. Mis,s College Union Chairman Sabio Baby Joseph, General Secretary Sebin V.S, Arts Secretary Rasik K.V., General Captain Albin Joseph and Vice-chairperson Sandra Johnson and all the other Union Members on making this academic year the best year in the history of Don Bosco Arts & Science College. 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.

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.

### Angadikadavu March 24, 2017

## Principal Fr. Dr. Francis Karackat