

## Centre for Social Action 2017-18 Report

“You have not lived today until you have done something for someone who can never repay you.” John Banyan



The Centre for Social Action (CSA) started functioning in Christian College, Chengannur with the purpose of coordinating the social extension activities undertaken by all departments. It was inaugurated on 14.11.2017 by Dr. Sairu Philip, Vice Principal, T.D. Medical College, Alappuzha and Professor and Head of the Dept. of Community Medicine. She is the State Award Winner for the Best Doctor with Social Commitment 2009-10. Principal, Dr. Achamma Alex presided over the function. Student coordinator Miss. Gopika Hari delivered felicitations.



Paraplegic friends were invited to the Christmas Celebrations held in the college on 20.12.2017. Four wheel chairs were given to them who are active members of Wheel Chair Association. In an informal meeting before the Christmas programme, Chief Guest Rev. Sajan P Mathew and College Governing Board Members handed over the wheel chairs. An amount of Rs. 10500/- was given to them for buying raw materials for their detergent unit. A sale of detergent materials produced by them was arranged in the car parking area of the college campus. The cooperation of the students and staff which caused the sale of entire items brought by them, is commendable.



The members of the College Christmas choir, along with the staff visited Thejus, Vallamkulam, a charitable society for the care of children with multiple handicaps, to celebrate Christmas with them. In addition to singing Christmas songs for them, the team took time to watch the performances of the children there. The team seemed very much moved by the visit and suggested organizing such visits every year.





On 14.02.2018, in collaboration with Women's Cell Unit of Christian College, Chengannur, a talk on 'Human Trafficking' was arranged in the Audio-visual room. Sri. Anson Thomas, UNN-IBN Real Heroes Award 2009 winner, delivered the talk. Students actively took part in the following question-answer session. Calendar 2018 designed by Sri. Anson Thomas to aware the public on human trafficking was sold among the staff and students. The collected amount was donated to the rehabilitation activities going on among the sex workers in Mumbai.



The members of 'Koottu', an association of the old students of the University of Kerala, visited the college and started a scribe unit for helping the students with difficulties in writing university examinations. As per their suggestion, a scribe bank – a list of students who volunteered their service to the differently abled students – was prepared. Students also took initiative in recording study materials for the blind students. 'Koottu' helped them for providing the materials to the needy students.



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“It is not only for what we do that we are held responsible, but also for what we do not do.” Moliere

Right from the beginning of the academic year, Centre for Social Action took initiative in providing scribes for differently abled students with difficulty in writing examinations. In the unit meeting of the Scribe volunteers held on 06.07.2018, the list of scribe volunteers enrolled in the Scribe bank was updated.



In collaboration with NSS, Centre for Social Action actively participated in the Kuttanad Flood Relief Programme. Items essential for everyday use were collected from the staff and students. On 27.07.2018, contributions for buying the food items were collected. Arrangements were done for carrying the items to Kuttanad.

On 03.12.2018, used clothes were collected from the staff and handed over to the volunteers of Swapnakkoodu, a centre for the destitute initiated by the Legal Protection council. An amount of Rs.7500, collected from the staff too was contributed for their food packets distribution project.

On 10.12.2018, Centre for Social Action contributed Rs.10000/- to the special School, Kattodu, Tiruvalla affiliated to the Centre for Autism India.

The paraplegic friends took part in the Christmas celebration held on 18.12.2018. A sale of products like eco-friendly pen, paper bags, soap powder, lotion etc. produced by the paraplegic, was arranged in the college campus. Students and staff wholeheartedly cooperated for the successful sale of the items brought. An amount of Rs. 8000/- was given to them, as a help for the revival of damages in business due to flood.





In the afternoon, Christmas Choir members along with nine teaching staff visited Jyothis, Mavelikkara, a special school for mentally challenged children. The team took time to watch and appreciate the talents of the children there. The College choir performed carol songs for the children. An amount of Rs. 12000/- was contributed to the institution.

