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HENRY BAKER COLLEGE MELUKAVU

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

ACADEMIC YEAR

FROM DARKNESS INTO MARVELLOUS LIGHT

Henry Baker College, Melukavu, a Christian, Minority, Co-Educational, Government- aided Arts and Science College Established In 1981, affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala, Accredited by NAAC with 'A' Grade and An ISO 9001:2015 certified Institution.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE HENRY BAKER COLLEGE, MELUKAVU ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

The vision of the Department of Commerce is to provide quality education and training to its students and prepare them to land on successful careers in the field of commerce. As such, a key indicator of the success of the department is the academic performance of its students. Over the current academic year, the Department of Commerce has achieved impressive results. During this period, our students secured ranks in university levels. Hiba Fathima of 2019-22 batch Secured 9th Rank, Shahana V Subair and Deventhu Mohan of 2020-2023 batch Secured 3rd and 5th Position in the MG University B. Com Co-operation Examinations, respectively. These results demonstrate the dedication and hard work of the department's faculty and staff, as well as the commitment of its students to their studies. During the year 2022-23. Muhammad Muhsin of M. Com 2021-23 batch and two former students, Febin Asiya and Mathu A.S qualified UGC National Eligibility Test. Aparna Merin Mathew, our former student got placed as an Assistant Professor at All Saints College, Thiruvananthapuram.

1 ACHIEVEMENTS

1. University Rank

1. Ms. Hiba Fathima of 2019-22 B.Com Co-operation batch secured 9th Position in the M.G.University B.Com Degree May 2022 Examination.



Hiba Fathima of 2019-2022. B.Com Co-operation batch secured 9th Rank

2. Shahana V Subair & Deventhu Mohan Secured 3rd and 5th Position in the M.G.University B.Com Cooperation Examinations (2020-2023 Batch).



Shahana V.Subair and Deventhu Mohan from 2020-2023 batch secured 3rd and 5th ranks respectively in MG University Examinations.

2. UGC NET & Ph. D.

During this academic year 2022-23, Muhammed Muhsin (M.Com.2021-23), Ms. Mathu A.S. (M.Com.2017-19) and Ms.Febin Asiya (M.Com.2020-22) qualified UGC NET December 2022. Ms. Aparna Merin Mathew (M.Com.2014-16) former student secured Ph. D, from Kerala University and got placed as Assistant Professor in Commerce at All Saints College, Thiruvananthapuram.

3. Best NSS Volunteer

Bibin Rajesh of 2019-22 Batch secured the best NSS Volunteer award from MG University Kottayam.



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2 DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

1. Inauguration of Commerce Association and Invited Lecture on *Goods and Service Tax* (Venue: Seminar Hall Date: 14/10/2022 -2 pm)

The Commerce Association functioning under the Department of Commerce serves as a platform for the students to engage in extracurricular activities and for the overall development of the students. This can be duly regarded as a commendable initiative, as it provides students with opportunities to explore their interests beyond academics and acquire practical skills that can enhance their personal as well as professional growth.

By participating in the activities organized by the association, students can develop leadership and teamwork skills, improve their communication and networking abilities, and gain exposure to various aspects of commerce and industry. These experiences can also help them to build a strong portfolio and enhance their employability prospects.

Dr. Gireesh Kumar G.S, College Principal, officially inaugurated the Commerce Association programmes for the year 2022–23 at Henry Baker College Melukavu on October 14, 2022, in the college seminar hall. As the head of the institution, his presence at the ceremony signifies the college's support and commitment to the Department of Commerce. In his opening remarks, Dr. Gireesh Kumar emphasized the importance of extracurricular activities and their role in fostering overall development of students. The inauguration ceremony of the commerce association was a momentous event, marked by the presence of several students and faculty Members

Sri. Siraj A, Deputy Commissioner of the State GST Department from Ernakulam was the resource person. He gave a tailored lecture to the final year M.Com. and B.Com students to help them understand the fundamentals of GST. He began his lecture by discussing the history of indirect taxation in India. He then discussed topics like GST computation, various prevailing slabs (CGST and SGST), implementation issues, and the future of GST. The lecture benefited as many as 89 students and staff members.

GST stands for Goods and Services Tax, an indirect tax introduced in India on July 1, 2017. It is a value-added tax levied on the sale of goods and services in India. GST has replaced the previous complex system of multiple indirect taxes levied by both the central and state governments, such as excise duty, service tax, and value-added tax (VAT). GST is a one-time tax levied at every stage of the supply chain, from the manufacturer or service provider to the end user. It is collected and remitted to the government by the seller of goods or services. GST is levied on the value of goods or services provided, and the rate of tax varies depending on the type of goods or services provided and the state in which they are provided.

In India, the GST system is divided into three parts: central GST (CGST), state GST (SGST), and integrated GST (IGST). The central and state governments levy CGST and SGST on intra-state supplies of goods and services, respectively. Inter-state supplies of goods and services are subject to IGST.

The Goods and Services Tax (GST) has simplified India's tax system and made it easier for businesses to comply with tax regulations. It has also contributed to a reduction in the overall tax burden borne by consumers, as well as increased transparency and accountability in the tax system.

The program was introduced by department head, Sri Shinu Thomas P. The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Smt. Ashly Mereena Mathew, Assistant professor, Department of Commerce. Dr. Santo Jose, Sri Justin Jose, Ms. Maria Susan Mathew Ms. Shemi Paul, and Ms. Gayathri S Kumar participated in the programme, along the students.





Dr. G.S. Gireesh Kumar, Principal inaugurating Commerce Association 2022-23



Sri .Siraj A, Guest speaker -Lecture on GST

1. Workshop on Research Methodology (Venue: Seminar Hall Date: 15/12/2022 - 2 pm)

The Research Methodology Workshop was tailor-made to facilitate the academic requirements of the Post-Graduate and Degree student community of the Department of Commerce. The workshop was conceptualized with the intention of knowledge-building on the fundamentals of research concepts for the final year project work of the students. The objectives of the workshop were (a) to develop knowledge on the fundamentals of research and (b) to build knowledge on research design, application and data analysis. Dr. Raju V.P., Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Commerce, Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha was the Resource Person.

The workshop commenced with the inauguration at 9:45 AM on 15th December, 2022. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Gireeshkumar G.S., Principal of the College. Sri Shinu Thomas P, Head of the Department of Commerce, delivered the welcome speech and introduced the workshop to the audience.

Vote of Thanks was given by Smt. Ashly Mereena Mathew, workshop Co-ordinator. Dr. Santo Jose, Sri Justin Jose, Sri. Seby Sam, Ms. Maria Susan Mathew, Ms. Shemi Paul, and Ms. Gayathri S Kumar attended the workshop, along with the final year students.

The workshop was designed to cover a range of topics related to research methodology, including research design, data collection, analysis, and interpretation. It also aimed to provide participants with practical guidance on how to develop and execute effective research projects and how to avoid common pitfalls and challenges.

Overall, the workshop provided an excellent opportunity for participants to enhance their research skills and stay up-to-date with the latest research methodologies.

Objectives

1. The workshop aimed to provide participants with a comprehensive understanding of the research process, including research design, data collection, analysis, and interpretation. This would enable them to develop and execute effective research projects and to produce high-quality research outputs.

2. The workshop aimed to provide participants with an overview of the latest research methodologies, tools, and techniques. This would enable them to stay up-to-date with the latest trends and developments in their respective fields.

Dr. Raju V.P. shared his expertise and insights with the participants during the lecture. The lecture covered a wide range of topics related to research methodology, including research design, data collection, analysis, and interpretation.

Two key areas covered in the workshop were research problem identification and data analysis.

Research problem identification: The workshop provided participants with guidance on how to identify and formulate research questions and hypotheses. This included an overview of the different types of research questions, such as descriptive, exploratory, and explanatory questions, and how to identify gaps in the existing literature. The workshop also covered how to develop a research framework and how to design research projects that are feasible, ethical, and appropriate for the research question being investigated.

Data analysis: The workshop covered the basics of data analysis, including how to collect and prepare data for analysis and how to choose appropriate analysis techniques.

The workshop also covered topics such as usage of software tools for data analysis, like Microsoft Excel, and provided participants with practical demonstrations on how to use these tools to analyze data. The workshop also covered how to interpret and present research findings in a clear and meaningful way.

Overall, the content covered in the research methodology workshop provided participants with a solid foundation in research methodology and equipped them with the knowledge and skills needed to design and conduct effective research projects and to analyze and interpret research findings.

The research methodology workshop of the department was a success, with positive outcomes for both the participants and the department as a whole. The workshop has helped to improve the quality and quantity of research output and has positioned the department as a leader in research methodology.

In conclusion, the research methodology workshop was a valuable and effective training opportunity for participants in our department. The workshop provided participants with practical skills and knowledge in research methodology, which they can apply to their own research projects. Feedback from participants indicated that the workshop was useful and helped improve their understanding of research methodology. The outcomes of the workshop included improved research skills, enhanced collaboration and knowledge sharing, increased productivity and research output, and improved reputation and visibility for the department.

As a result of the workshop's success, we recommend that similar workshops continue to be offered in the future. It is important to continue to provide training and support for faculty members and graduate students in research methodology to ensure that high-quality research is conducted and to continue to build a strong research community within the department. Overall, the research methodology workshop was a positive and valuable experience for all participants, and we look forward to offering similar training opportunities in the future.





Inaugural address by Dr. G. S. Gireesh Kumar, Principal



Audience



Dr. Raju V. P. -Resource person

3 Participation in Faculty Development Programmes

During the academic year 2022-23, 3 faculties from the department attended Faculty Development Programmes.





4 SCHOLARSHIPS

1. Recipients of Scholarships initiated by the Department (2022-23)

Sl.No	Purticulars	Amount	Supported by	Name of the awardees
1	Best Commerce Student	500.00	Rt. Rev. Dr.K.G.Daniel	Hiba Fathima .M
			(Former Bishop and	
			Manager)	
2	Best Research Project M.	500.00	Rev. Dr. Antony	Alphy Jacob
	Com		Nirappel	

3	Best Women Commerce	500.00	Prof. Mary Thomas	Poornima Dileep
	Student		Kavukattu	1
			(Former HOD.	
			Department of Botony)	
4	Best Library Using Student	500.00	G.P Vijaya Kumar	Ann Tressa Jojo
			(Former Librarian)	
5	Topper M. Com Degree	500.00	Smt. Vineetha Vijayan	Alphy Jacob
6	Topper B. Com Degree	500.00	Prof. Joy Thomas	Hiba Fathima
			Thayyil	
7	Topper B. Com Degree	1500.00	1998-2001 B. Com	Hiba Fathima
			Batch	
8	Topper B. Com -Degree	500.00	Rev. P.V. Joseph	Hiba Fathima
9	Topper English Papers	500.00	Prof. Annie Mary	Devika Ajimon
			Francis	
			Former HOD,	
			Department of English	
10	Topper Law Papers B.com	400.00	Adv. Frinso Mathew	Shahana V Subair &
		+400.00		Deventhu Mohan
11	Topper Open Course	500.00	B. Com Batch 1999-	Merlin Juliet
			2002	
12	Topper III and IV the	500.00	M.Com Batch 2014-16	Alphy Jacob
	Semester M. Com			
13	Topper V and VI semester B.	500.00	B. Com BATCH 2013-	Hiba Fathima
	Com		16	
14	Topper III and IV the	500.00	B. Com Batch 2014-17	Shahana V Subair
	Semester B. Com			
15	Topper I and II the Semester	500.00	B. Com Batch 2015-18	Nancy K Michael
	B. Com			
16	Topper B. Com Degree	1000	Prof. Joy Thomas	Hiba Fathima
			Thayyil Former HOD,	
			Department of	
			Commerce	

5 INDUSTRIAL VISIT

1. STUDY TOUR REPORT-FINAL YEAR M. COM.

Dates : 1	2 th and 13 th January 2023
Places Visited : A	thirapally, Vazhachal, Cherai Beach, Wonderla Amusement Park
No. of Students Participat	ed :14
Teachers Accompanied	: Justin Jose and Maria Susan Mathew

Objectives

The expected outcomes include providing situations for the students to learn and get acquinted with the process of organizing a student tour and understanding the environment around. Industrial visit is considered as one of the tactical methods of teaching. The main reason behind this is that it lets student to know things practically through interaction, working methods and employment practices It gives exposure from academic point of view. After visiting an industry students can gain a combined knowledge about both theory and practical. Students will be more concerned about earning a job after having an industrial visit.

<u>Report</u>

Day-1 (12.01.2023)

We, 14 students and 2 teachers gatherd in our campus at around 5.30 am. Started from the college at 5.45 am with the guidance and company of Mr.Justin Jose Asst. Prof. Dept of Commerce and guest faculty, Ms. Maria Susan Mathew. We reached our first destination Athirapally Waterfalls at about 9.30 am.

Barely 5 km away is another family favourite, We reached our second destination Vazhachal Waterfalls. These waterfalls became famous for not just their view but the endemic species found in the surrounding dense forests. Researchers have found four endangered species of the Hornbill here, the only place they thrive in the entire Western Ghats. Ornithologists attach





Around two dozen kilometers from the industrial district of Ernakulam and to the side of the Vypin Island lies every swimmer's paradise, we reached our third destination Cherai Beach. It is a favourite haunt of those looking for a relaxing swim with the backdrop of coconut groves being the added incentive. It provides a wonderful view of the famous Chinese Fishing Nets or *Cheena Vala* well. The nearby shacks provide you with fresh cuisine that fills you up perfectly after a delightful swim.



DAY-2 (13.01.2023)

We reached our fourth destination, Wonderla amusement park is one such must visit places in Kochi for any traveler. The theme park is owned by Mr. Kochouseph Chittilappilly who is a well-known business personality and philanthropist. Wonderla is a chain of theme parks located in three major cities - Kochi, Bengaluru and Hyderabad. At present, Wonderla is one of the biggest

amusement parks in India with world class technology and facilities. Wonderla amusement park would be an exhilarating experience for every visitor irrespective of their age and gender.



The studious attitudes and efforts got completed successfully. Thus, the M.Com Third Semester (2021 Admissions) study tour has come to a full circle as we touched our college campus at 8.30 pm. Each one of were tired but contented for sure.

Teachers accompanied:

Mr. Justin Jose, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce

Ms. Maria Susan Mathew, Assistant Professor on contract, Department of Commerce.

2. STUDY TOUR REPORT- II YEAR B. COM.

Date	: 25 th January 2023
Places Visited	: Periyar Polymers Pvt Ltd, KINFRA Palakkad
No. of Students Participated	: 36
Teachers Accompanied	: Maria Susan Mathew and Jithin Thomas Abraham

Industry visits sensitize students to the practical challenges that organizations face in the business world. Industrial visits also give greater clarity about various management concepts for students as they can practically see how these concepts are put into action. The students along with the faculties Sri. Jithin Thomas Abraham and Ms. Maria Susan Mathew visited Periyar Polymers Pvt Ltd, KINFRA Palakkad. They departed from college at 04:00 AM, 25th January and arrived back at 02:00 AM, 26th January 2023. They also visited the following destinations:

- 1. Varikkasery Mana
- 2. Palakkad Fort
- 3. Malampuzha Dam



At KINFRA Palakkad

3. STUDY TOUR REPORT-FINAL YEAR B.COM.

Dates: 27th January to 31st January 2023Places Visited: Coorg, Belur, ChickamangloreNo of Students Participated: 44Teachers Accompanied: Shinu Thomas P and Shemi Paul

The study tour provides a unique and exciting opportunity for students to combine leisure, experiential learning, and entertainment. This tour was designed to provide students with a well-rounded experience, allowing them to not only learn about their course of study but also explore the local culture, customs, and way of life. The tour was organised with the goal of providing students with a break from their regular academic routine while offering them opportunities to learn and engage in new experiences. The study tour included a range of activities, including visits to historic sites, cultural events, and outdoor excursions, all aimed at enhancing our understanding of the local context and promoting experiential learning. Overall, the study tour

provided an enriching and unforgettable experience for all participants.

On 27th January 2023, 44 students along with 2 faculties departed from the college at 02:00 PM. We reached our first destination, at 08:00 AM on 28th January and visited Golden Temple, Bamboo Forest and Harangi Dam and stayed at Coorg. On the next day morning, we departed for Belur at 08:30 Am and did adventurous activities like Banana Ride, River Rafting, Kayaking etc. After lunch we visited Belur Dam and Belur Temple and departed to Chickmanglore and stayed there overnight. On the next day, we went fir Jeep Trekking through Mullauaniri Peak, Jhary Falls, Z Points. We returned to college on 31st January 2023.

The five-day study tour to Coorg, Belur, and Chickamangalore was an enriching and memorable experience for all the students who participated. Through this tour, we were able to achieve our objectives of providing a unique blend of leisure, experiential learning, and entertainment to the students. We observed the cultural, historical, and natural significance of the places we visited and gained an understanding of the challenges and opportunities in conserving natural habitats and wildlife.

Overall, the study tour was a great success and helped us to achieve our learning outcomes. We are grateful to our college and the tour organizers for providing us with this wonderful opportunity to learn and grow outside the classroom. We hope that future students will also have the chance to benefit from such study tours and gain a deeper understanding of our country's rich cultural, historical, and natural heritage.



