

### ST. THOMAS COLLEGE OF TEACHER EDUCATION, PALA

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### INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC)

ANNUAL REPORT (2020-2021)



### **IQAC PROFILE**

IQAC COMMENCEMENT	17/08/2004
IQAC	The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) at St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, was set on 17/03/2004 which helps to enhance the quality and standards of education offered by the institution. The IQAC is an integral part of the college's commitment to continuous improvement, and it functions as a facilitator for the institution's academic and administrative excellence.
OBJECTIVES	The primary objectives of the IQAC at St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, are as follows:  To develop and promote a quality culture amongst all stakeholders of the institution  To ensure the maintenance of academic standards in teaching, research, and extension activities  To facilitate the implementation of best practices in various aspects of the institution's functioning  To foster a learner-centric environment that encourages holistic development and overall well-being  To encourage faculty and staff development and motivate them for continuous improvement  To establish a feedback mechanism to monitor and evaluate various processes and take necessary actions for improvement
STRATEGIES	To achieve its objectives, the IQAC follows the following strategies:  * Formulating and implementing quality
	benchmarks for various academic and administrative activities



- Conducting regular meetings and workshops to sensitise faculty, staff, and students about quality enhancement measures
- Organising training programs for faculty to enhance their teaching and research capabilities
- Monitoring and evaluating academic and administrative processes through periodic internal audits
- Collecting feedback from various stakeholders, including students, parents, alumni, and employers, to assess the college's performance
- Encouraging research and publication activities among faculty members and students
- Collaborating with other institutions and agencies to share best practices and promote mutual learning



### COMPOSITION OF THE IOAC (2020 -2021)

#### A. CHAIRPERSON

1. Dr. TC Thankachan, Associate Professor, Principal

#### B. SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

2. Sr. Mini Thomas, Head Accountant

#### C. TEACHING FACULTY REPRESENTATIVES

- 3. Dr. Sr. Beenamma Mathew, Associate Professor, Vice-Principal
- 4. Dr. TM Mollykutty, Associate Professor, HoD, M,Ed,
- 5. Dr. Sr. Mary Thomas, Associate Professor, B.Ed. Dept.
- 6. Dr. P.P. Shajimon, Associate Professor, B.Ed. Dept

#### D. MEMBER FROM THE MANAGEMENT

- 7. Rev. Dr. Jose Kakkallil, Chancellor, Diocese of Palai
- 8. Prof. Jose P Mattam, Member, Governing Body

#### E. MEMBER FROM THE LOCAL SOCIETY

9. Smt. Biji Jojo, Municipal Councilor

#### F. NOMINEE FROM THE STUDENT COMMUNITY

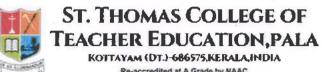
10. Mr. Jestin Joy, B.Ed. Student

#### G. NOMINEES FROM THE INDUSTRY/ EMPLOYERS/STAKEHOLDERS/ALUMNI/PTA

- 11. Sri. Jose Mamparambil, Chairman, Mamparambil Group of Companies, Pala
- 12. Sri. Soy Thomas, PTA, Vice-President
- 13. Rev. Fr. Berchmans Kunnumpuram, Secretary, Corporate Educational Agency, Diocese of Pala
- 14. Sri. P. Krishnakumar President, Alumni
- 15. Sri. George Kutty Jacob, HM Model School Representative of Cooperating Schools

#### H. CO-ORDINATOR OF IQAC

16. Dr. Lavina Dominic, Assistant Professor, B.Ed. Dept.



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## STRATEGIC PLAN OF ACTION AND OUTCOMES

(2020-2021)



Sign MOU with educational institutions of academic excellence

Professional updating of faculty and staff

Build linkage with society - Foster social sensitivity and responsibility among students- help the local agrarian society-upliftment of rural women

### Outcomes

- MOU was signed with St. Joseph's College of Education, Mysuru, and Yuvaskhetra Institute of Management Studies (YIMS), Palakad
- On 18/08/2020 A webinar on "Gender sensitisation and social justice" was jointly organized by St.Thomas college of Teacher education ,Pala(IQAC) and St.Joseph's College of Education ,Mysuru (Women's cell)
- 27/08/2020 Webinar on National ducation policy 2020-IQAC of St. Thomas college of teacher education , Pala
  - An orientation programme on 'Fixation of Pay Revised UGC Scheme, 2016)' and a training programme on 'Implementation of LMS and MIS in Colleges' for the faculty and Staff were organised.
  - 17 /12/2020 -Training programme forfaculty and staff —
     'Income Tax Calculation' Dr. Pratheesh Abraham, Asst.
     Professor, took a class on 'Calculation of Income-tax using Excel soft ware' for members of the faculty and staff. The class was very informative and useful to the members of the staff.
- The extension wing of the college in collaboration with Archana Women's Centre (NGO), Ettumanoor, initiated a year long webinar series, 'Jagratha' for the rural women.
- Conducted a webinar on Integral farming in collaboration with Pala Social Welfare Society (PSWS)
- The college initiated a counselling programme 'SPARSHAM' for students and parents of the local schools (in the wake of the COVID pandemic)

Two new Value-added courses were initiated - Online
 Assessment Tools and Media Literacy to keep abreast with
the digital era

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Initiate Value- Added Courses- Start more Value-Added Courses to meet the needs of the changing times

Pooling resources – Utilise the rich human resource - experience and knowledge of the retired faculty, staff and alumni

- The college in collaboration with its Alumni association conducted online NET, SET, KTET coaching classes, quiz competitions for high school students.
  - The PTA contributed financial support to needy students. Financial support for college journal publication - Financial support for Value Added Courses

Improve infrastructural facilities - The institution plans to improve its infrastructure with the help of RUSA funds.

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# Report of the IQAC Quality Initiatives 2020- 2021



#### MoU WITH ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, MYSURU

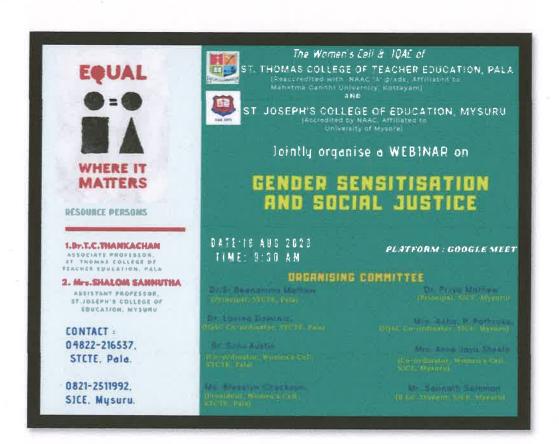
On 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020, the Principals of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala and St. Joseph's College of Education, Mysuru, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The three-year collaboration was in place. The collaboration aimed to improve faculty development and student learning

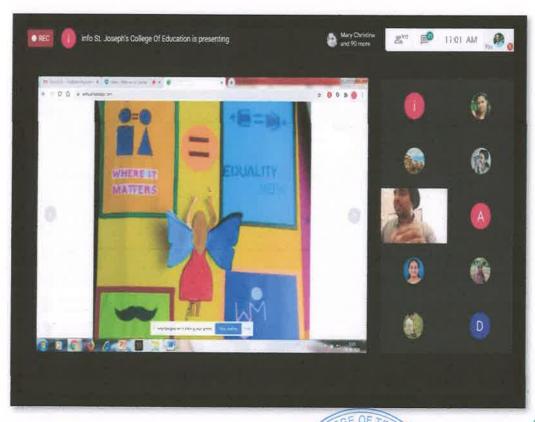
# WEBINAR ON 'GENDER SENSITISATION AND SOCIAL JUSTICE' IN COLLABORATION WITH ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE OF EDUCATION MYSURU (MOU INSTITUTION)

The webinar "Gender Sensitisation and Social Justice" was jointly organised by the Women's Cell and IQAC of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala and St. Joseph's College of Education, Mysuru. The webinar was conducted on 18th August 2020, through the platform of Google meet. The meeting began at 9:30 a.m., with a prayer song and it was followed by the welcome address of Rev. Dr. Sr. Beenamma Mathew, the Principal of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala. Dr. Priya Mathew, the Principal of St. Joseph's College of Education, Mysuru, felicitated the webinar session. The meeting was blessed with the informative and very enriching talks of the two eminent educators, Prof. Shalom Sannutha, Assistant Professor of St. Joseph's College of Education, Mysuru and Dr. T.C. Thankachan, Associate Professor of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala. The webinar was attended by 16 members of the faculty and 49 students.

Prof. Shalom Sannutha vividly portrayed the discriminations and inequalities faced by women. Dr. T.C. Thankachan, emphasized that discriminations based on gender, is not merely a gender issue, but also a violation of human rights and a moral issue.



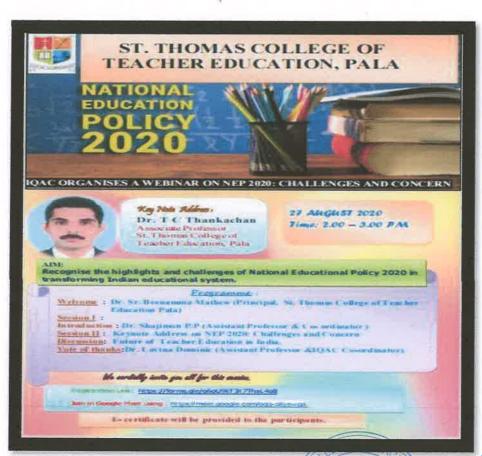




### WEBINAR ON NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY 2020: CHALLENGES AND CONCERNS

The IQAC organised a webinar on National Education Policy 2020: Challenges and Concerns on 27 August 2020 at 2.00 PM through Google Meet. Dr. T. C. Thankachan, Associate Professor, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala was the resource person for the programme.

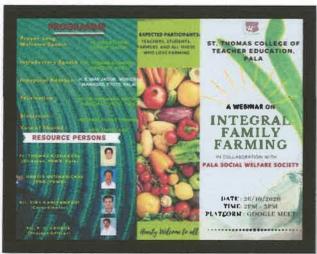
The core of the programme was to recognise the highlights and challenges of National Education Policy 2020 in transforming Indian educational system. Dr. Sr. Beenamma Mathew, the Principal of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala delivered the welcome address. Dr. Shajimon P. P., Assistant Professor, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and coordinator of the webinar introduced the theme. The webinar was attended by 16 members of the faculty and 49 students. A successful participation was ensured, and discussion was about future of teacher education in India. The queries of the participants were clarified and discussed accordingly. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by Dr. Lavina Dominic, Assistant Professor, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala.



#### WEBINAR ON INTEGRAL FAMILY FARMING

The IQAC of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, in collaboration with the Pala Social Welfare Society, organised a webinar on Integral Family Farming on October 26, 2020. A local farmer served as the resource person, providing valuable insights into sustainable and holistic farming practices. The webinar focused on the interconnectedness of various farming aspects, emphasising ecological balance, economic viability, and social well-being. Participants gained practical knowledge of organic cultivation, water conservation, livestock management, and the importance of local markets. 16 members of the faculty and 49 students participated in the webinar.

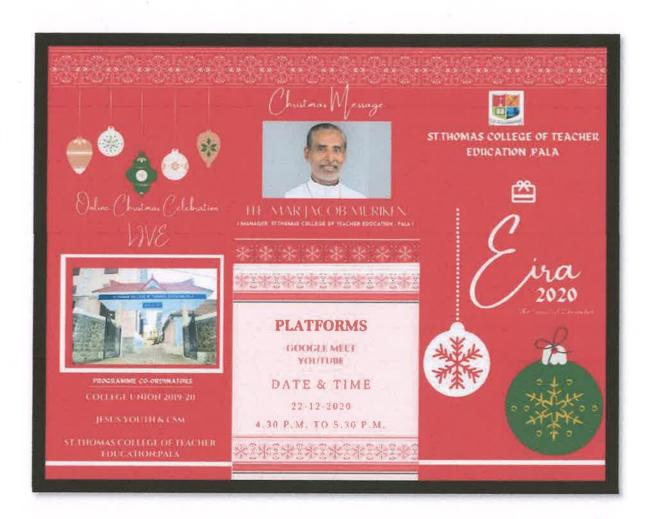






#### ONLINE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

The Christmas spirit was uniquely expressed in 2020 as St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, hosted a virtual Christmas celebration on 22 December 2020. Despite the physical distancing necessitated by the pandemic, the college community came together through the digital platforms of Google Meet and YouTube. The College Union 2019-20, Jesus Youth, and CSM jointly organised the event. The celebration's highlight was the Christmas message from the esteemed College Manager, H. E. Mar Jacob Muriken. His words of wisdom and inspiration undoubtedly added a spiritual dimension to the festivities. 16 faculty and 109 students took part in the online Christmas celebrations.





#### YOUNG INNOVATORS PROGRAMME(YIP)

Young Innovators Programme is a specially designed programme under the Kerala Development and Innovative Strategic Council (K-DISC). The programme aims to empower future innovators to innovate new products, services, or models to meet emerging requirements, unarticulated needs, or existing market needs of society more effectively through an innovative challenge. All 50 of the first year B.Ed. (2021-2023) students of the college had an opportunity to participate in YIP 2021 on 06 January 2021. The students were divided into ten teams. Out of ten teams, four teams from the college were shortlisted for the second-level evaluation. 50 students and 2 faculty members took part in the event.





# WEBINAR ON 'CONTEMPORARY TEACHER COMPETENCIES IN 2021 - STRIVE TRAINING FOR B.Ed. STUDENTS OF STCTE, PALA WITH YUVAKSHETRA INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT

St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala along with Yuvakshetra, Institute of Management Studies (YIMS) jointly organised Contemporary Teacher Competencies in 2021- A Strive Training for B.Ed. Students of STCTE, Pala through Google Meet on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 11.15 a.m.

Dr. Joseph Olikkalkoonal, Vice-Principal, YIMS, was the resource person of the event and the competencies in 2021 for teacher trainees got highlighted in the session. The group participation was significant. The meeting ended at 2.00 p.m. with a thanking note of Ms. Priyanka Joseph, the Secretary of the Women's Cell of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala. 8 members of the faculty and 50 students participated in the webinar.



#### WEBINAR ON 'REFLECTION ON 21ST CENTURY- EDUCATION AND TEACHERS – INDIA AND NIGERIA

On May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education Pala convened a webinar entitled "Reflection on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Education and Teachers in India and Nigeria". Esteemed scholars, Dr. T.C. Thankachan, Principal of St. Thomas College, and Dr. Patrick Eke Eya, Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic of the National Open University of Nigeria, served as the program's Resource Persons. The hour-long session (12.00 p.m. – 1.00 p.m.) provided a forum for the exploration of the challenges and opportunities confronting educators in both India and Nigeria.

The program offered a unique chance for all faculty members and teacher education students to gain a comparative perspective on educational practices in India and Nigeria. The exchange of ideas between the Resource Persons and the audience centered on effective pedagogical methodologies, curriculum development strategies, and the paramount importance of fostering critical thinking and fostering a spirit of innovation within the student body. The program enriched the understanding of 21st century education for all participants. 8 members of the faculty and 50 students participated in the webinar.



### SPARSHAM - COUNSELLING PROGRAMME FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS OF LOCAL SCHOOLS IN THE WAKE OF COVID 19 PANDEMIC

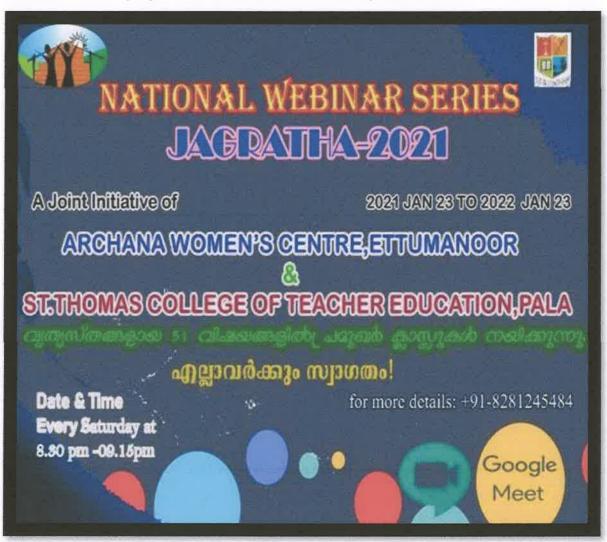
SPARSHAM was an initiative of the college to help the victims of COVID 19. The programme was for a period of two months from 01 May 2021 to 30 June 2021. The pandemic had isolated the young students from their friends and teachers. This had its dire consequences on the students and their family. The teachers and students of the college extended counselling help to the needy. The students were divided into ten groups under a teacher each. The students were given guidance by their mentor teachers. The programme targeted the school students of the locality. The programme was a success. It received calls from needy students and parents regarding the problems of learning during COVID times. The team was able to console those who contacted them. The programme involved 100 students and 11 faculties.



#### JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: INAUGURATION DAY

The inauguration of Jagratha 2021 National Webinar Series jointly organised St. Thomas College of Feacher Education, Pala and Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, was done by Ms. Thresiamma Mathew, Coordinator and director of Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2021.

On the inaugural day Dr. Alex George, Assistant Professor, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala delivered a talk on 'MENTAL HEALTH AND PARENTING' from 8.30 p.m. to 9.15 p.m. A total of 90 members participated in the session; out of which there were 50 students of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala. 2 teachers also participated in the program. Participants actively engaged in the program and were enthusiastic to clarify their doubts.





#### **JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: DAY 1**

The first day of the JAGRATHA 2021 National Webinar Series was held on February 20, 2021, from 8:30 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. The webinar focused on "FIVE HABITS FOR A HAPPY LIFE" and was led by Ms. Thressiamma Mathew, Director of Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor. 88 participants joined the webinar, including 50 students from St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and members of Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor.

Ms. Thressiamma Mathew shared valuable insights and practical tips on cultivating five essential habits for a happy life, they are Gratitude Practice, which is to develop a daily habit of reflecting on the things we are thankful for. Mindfulness is the second one, being present in the moment and fully engaging with our thoughts, feelings, and surroundings. Third, she taught about Self-Care that is to prioritizing physical, emotional, and mental well-being. Positive Relationships which nurture relationships that support and uplift life. Purposeful Living was the last habit discussed that is discovering and pursuing our passions and values.

The webinar was an enriching experience for all participants, providing practical advice and inspiration for incorporating five habits into daily life. The Q&A session that followed allowed participants to engage with Ms. Thressiamma Mathew and clarify their doubts. The webinar successfully achieved its objective of empowering participants with the knowledge and skills.

#### **JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: DAY 2**

On 27 February 2021, the second day of JAGRATHA 2021 National Webinar Series, Sri. P.L. Abraham, Assistant Agriculture Officer, Manjoor, took a class on the topic FARM MANAGEMENT. The class was from 8.30 p.m. to 9.15 p.m. A total of 88 members participated, including 48 students from St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and members of Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, in the Google session. The resource person gave a clear idea about how to care for the crops in different seasons. Participation of members was ensured during the session.

#### JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: DAY 3

The topic for the third day, 6<sup>th</sup> March 2021, of the National Webinar Series was "STRESS MANAGEMENT". The resource person for the session was Sri. George Karunackal, Consultant and Trainer. He took a class on the various ways to manage stress in our life. During this pandemic period, the class was useful to cope with the stress in life. He pointed out the different root causes of stress in life and gave simple techniques to overcome it. The class was interactive, and participants responded actively. 90 participants attended, including 50 students from St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and members of Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, on Google Meet platform from 8.30 p.m. to 9.15 p.m.

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#### **JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: DAY 4**

On 13<sup>th</sup> March 2021, from 8.30 p.m. to 9.15 p.m., St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala and Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, jointly organised the fourth day of National Webinar Series. The session was led by Sri Jossy Thumpanathu, Journalist. The topic was 'FAMILY IS A GREAT SCHOOL'. He discussed on how to maintain the bond in the family system. He explained the ways to build a network of family relations and pointed out the causes of dysfunctional family relationships. The session was worthful and effective. There was an active discussion session, students and members of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and members of Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, participated fruitfully. 90 participants attended, including 50 students from St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor members to the session.

#### JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: DAY 5

The fifth day of the National Webinar Series was arranged on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2021, from 8.30 p.m. to 9.15 p.m. The class was managed by Sri. Lorance Mathew, Industrial Extension Officer. He discussed the topic ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT. He inspired the participants as to how to become a successful entrepreneur. He also shared his experiences. It was really an inspiring and motivating session. 50 participants of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala and members of Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, actively participated in the session through Google Meet platform.

#### JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: DAY 6

On 27<sup>th</sup> March 2021, the sixth day of the National Webinar Series, the session was from 8.30 p.m. to 9.15 p.m. through Google Meet. 46 students of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala and members of Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, actively participated throughout the session. Bindhu Varghese, Counsellor, Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, took the class on the topic "SMART PARENTING". The focal area of the talk was how children can combat their insecurities and suggested conversations that parents can have with their kids and activities they can engage in together. Finally, she spoke about the ways of raising smart children. Participants especially mothers asked their doubts to the resource person.

#### JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: DAY 7

The joint venture of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala and Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, the National Webinar Series Day 7 was organised on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021 through Google Meet platform from 8.30 p.m. to 9.15 p.m. 46 students and members of Archana Women's Centre participated in the session. The class was managed by Mr. Dijo Das, Counsellor, ADARRT. He made an enlightened class on "DRUG FREE FAMILY." The topic ,though a familiar one, was presented in an interesting manner. He pointed at the ways we can avoid drugs especially alcohol and the role played by the family to prevent the use of drugs. The topic was presented in a systematic and organized manner.

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#### JAGRATHA 2021: 8th DAY OF THE NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES

Mr. Mathew Mundamattom, Trainer-Trada, Kottayam, spoke about gender equality via Google Meet on April 17, 2021, the seventh day of the National Webinar Series, from 8.30 to 9.15 p.m. Throughout the entire session, 48 students from St. Thomas College of Teacher Education in Pala and members of the Archana Women's Centre in Ettumanoor were engaged in activities. Given the state of the world today, the chosen topic was important. The definition of gender equality was covered first in class, followed by an explanation of its significance. He talked about the proactive steps we should take to establish gender equality in society. In the conversation box, participants shared positive things to say about the class. The lesson was engaging and motivating.

#### JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: Day 10

The 10th day of the National Webinar Series featured Jyothis S, a Research Scholar from St. Thomas College, Pala, who discussed the topic "FEMALE CHARACTERS IN INDIAN MYTHOLOGY". The webinar, held on May 8, 2021, at 8:30 p.m. via Google Meet, was attended by 46 students from St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor.

During the session, Jyothis S focused on Indian epics to highlight that the mythological tales we grew up listening to primarily revolved around strong male characters, often overlooking the significance of female characters in shaping religious anecdotes. Participants actively engaged in the discussion, raising their opinions and maintaining an interactive atmosphere throughout the class

#### JAGRATHA 2021- NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES: Day 11

On May 29, 2021, the National Webinar Series was jointly organised by St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor. The session was taken by Mr. Civilson Sebastian on the topic "Role of Family Members in a Drug-Free Life." 46 students from St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and Archana Women's Centre, Ettumanoor, participated in the Google Meet session at 8.30 p.m., and the session lasted for 45 minutes. He discussed the role of family in addiction recovery and family involvement in adolescent substance abuse. For the teacher, students are very useful as they are preparing for their school internship programme.



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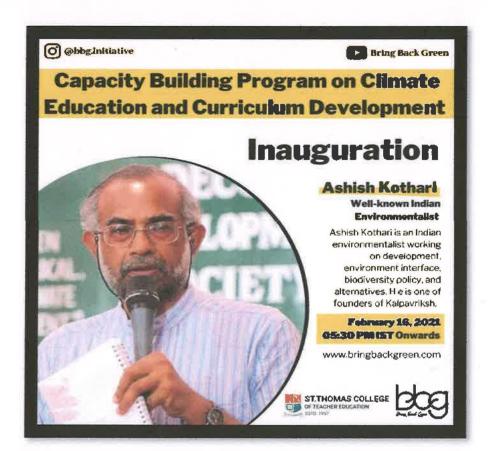
## ONLINE CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM ON CLIMATE EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

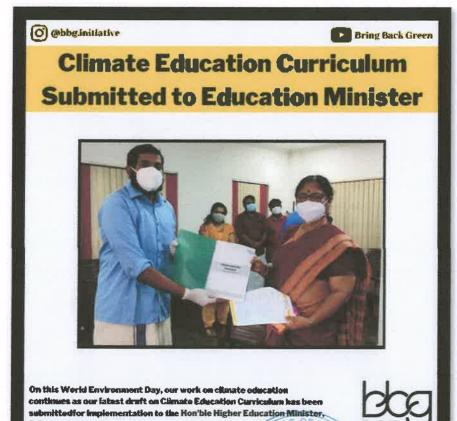
The Capacity Building Program on Climate Education and Curriculum Development, conducted by *Bring Back Green* in association with St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and IQAC, aimed to empower young people to drive real change for the planet. The program was held online from 16 to 26 February, 2021, and involved 98 students from the B.Ed. batch (2019-2021 and 2020-2022) and 8 teachers took part in the programme. The students were divided into 10 groups and participated in the workshop on climate education and curriculum development. This initiative aimed to inspire action among the youth for the Climate Change Movement by providing them with opportunities and awareness about the situation.

The programme was inaugurated by Mr. Ashish Kothari, a renowned Environmentalist. On the following ten days of the programme, different eminent peoples from different fields presented their ideas regarding the topics selected.

- Day 2 Mr. Anagh, Project Head, Bring Back Green Research Scholar, MG University Topic-Basics of Plastic and Importance of Education.
- Day 3 Mr. Nikhilesh V. P., Green Army Topic Educating the students on Basics of Climate and Challenges to Climate
- Day 4 Ms. Babitha P. S., Climate Educator Topic -Alternate Education as Climate Education
- Day 5 Mr. Akhilesh AnilKumar, Co-Founder and Director, Bring Back Green Topic Sustainable living from Childhood
- Day 6 Mr. Raju S., Project Management Team, Thanal Topic Waste Management in Educational Institutions
- Day 7 Ms. Kavya, Ecofeminist, Co-founder, SMKC, Topic Gender Education in Climate Curriculum
- Day 8 Dr. Karunakaran Akhil Dev, Kerala Disaster Management Team, Topic Disaster Management
- Day 9 Mr. Fahad T., Co-Founder and Director, Bring Back Green Topic Introduction to Alternative Products and Educating Students
- Day 10 Ms. Tessie Sebastian and Ms. Shriya Dayal, Climate Education Project Team, Bring Back Green Formulation of climate curriculum presentation by Participants

Valedictory Session and Certificate Distribution



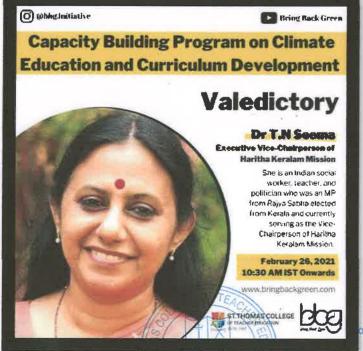


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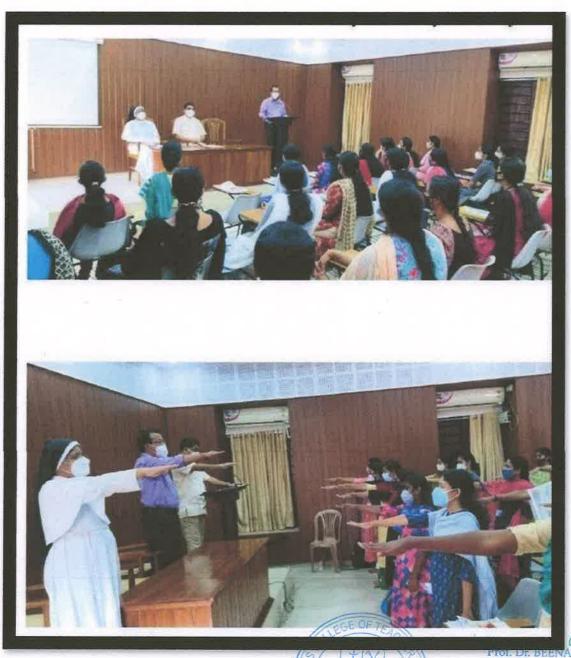


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#### ELECTORAL LITERACY CLUB National Voters' Day

The National Voters' Day was celebrated on 23 January 2021 under the auspices of the Electoral Literacy Club. The club aims at awakening the youth to their rights and duties as citizens of the country. The club observes days of national importance. All students are members of the club. The faculty- in charge of the club is Dr. Sunu Austin. The club has a President, Secretary and Treasurer, all elected from the student community. Dr. Shajimon P. P., Associate Professor, addressed the gathering on the democratic traditions of the country and significance of free and fair elections. The talk was enlightening and thought provoking. 50 students of the B.Ed. Senior batch and 3 members of the faculty attended the meeting.



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# YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME - SEMINAR ON 'NEW GENERATION' TEACHERS'

St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala in association with Lions Club of Pala Metro organised a Youth Empowerment Programme Seminar on New Generation Teachers on 9 Tuesday March 2021 from 1.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.

Ln. Adv. Benny Kurien, Faculty, Success Coach, International Trainer, led the session. The words of MJF. Ln. Dr. C. P. Jayakumar, District Governor, Ln. Siby Mathew Planthottam, District Coordinator, Ln. Dr. Jaizin Joseph, President, Lions Club, Pala Metro, Prof. Dr. T. C. Thankachan, Principal, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, Ln. P. Krishnakumar, (Rtd. SP), District Project Co-ordinator and PTA President, were thought provoking. The theme of the programme was a need of the hour, the teacher trainees actively participated throughout the programme. Fifty students and four teachers participated in the webinar.



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# MoU WITH YUVAKSHETRA INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES, PALAKKAD

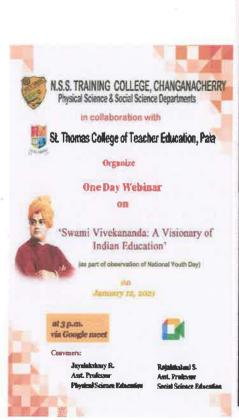
On January 08, 2021, the principals of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and Yuvakshetra Institute of Management Studies (YIMS), Palakkad, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The duration of the MoU is three years. The collaboration aims at improving faculty development and student learning.

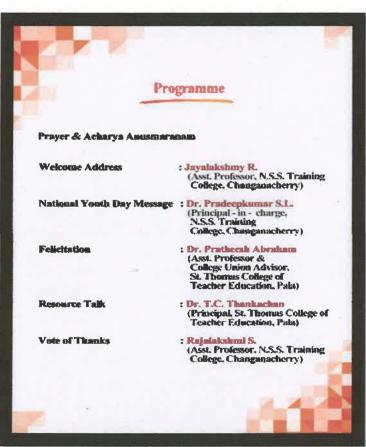




# ONE DAY WEBINAR ON SWAMI VIVEKANANDA: A VISIONARY OF INDIAN EDUCATION

St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, and N.S.S. Training College, Perunnai, Changanacherry, jointly organised a one-day webinar on Swami Vivekananda: A Visionary of Indian Education via Google Meet on January 12, 2021, on the occasion of the 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary celebrations of Swami Vivekananda, as part of the observation of National Youth Day. The webinar was organised from 3.00 p.m. The resource person for the programme was Dr. T. C. Thankachan, Principal, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala. The National Youth Day message was given by Dr. Pradeepkumar S. L., Principal in Charge, N.S.S. Training College, Perunnai, Changanacherry. The class was resourceful enough that students shared their information regarding Swami Vivekananda. The teachers and students were fully involved in the discussion part of the event. 98 students of the B.Ed. programme and 12 members of the faculty attended the webinar.







#### WEBINAR ON CANCER AWARENESS

The IQAC of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, in collaboration with the Palai Social Welfare Society, successfully organized a cancer awareness webinar on February 4, 2021, on the Google Meet platform. The webinar aimed to educate the college's students and faculty about the disease. Dr. Rony Benson, a consultant medical oncologist from Mar Sleeva Medicity, Palai, was the resource person. The webinar provided valuable insights into cancer prevention, detection, and treatment, empowering participants with knowledge to promote a healthier lifestyle and early intervention. The 12 members of the faculty and 98 students attended the webinar.



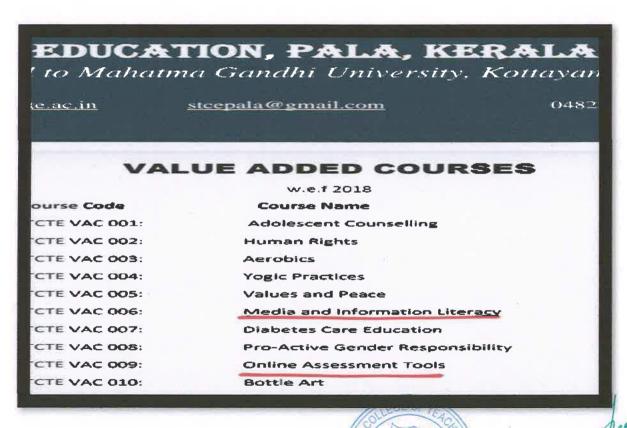


# VALUE-ADDED COURSES - ONLINE ASSESSMENT TOOLS, MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY

To Bridge the Gaps in the Existing Curriculum and to Meet the Needs of the Changing Times, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, arranged - two new Value-Added Courses - **Online Assessment Tools** and **Media and Informational Literacy** for student teachers, from 1 April to 30 April 2021 and 1 April to 30 June 2021 respectively. 98 students attended the VAC 'Online Assessment Tools and 10 students attended VAC 'Media and Informational Literacy'.

The course outcomes for 'Online Assessment Tools' were to attain knowledge of the concepts of assessment and evaluation, know the concepts of e assessments, familiarise with the online tools of assessment, and get hands own experience of the digital tools of assessment.

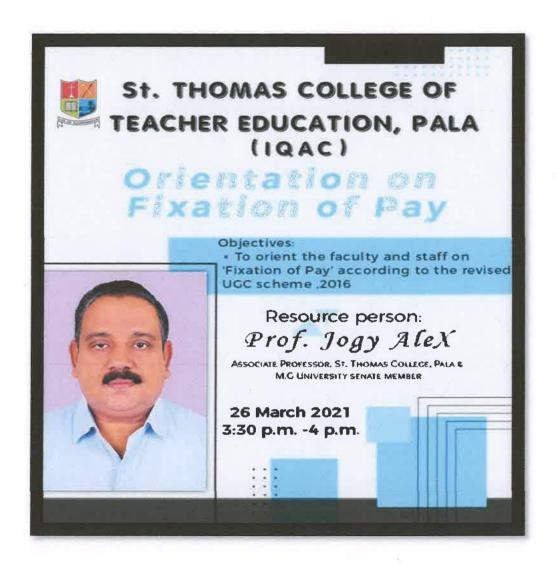
The course objectives for Media and Informational Literacy course are: to determine the extent of information needed, to access and evaluate the needed information effectively and efficiently, to understand the economic, legal, and social issues surrounding the use of information ethically. The course outcomes are increased the ability to access, evaluate and use information effectively, improved the ability to incorporate selected information int one's knowledge base, and obtained the capability of distinguishing scholarly communications.



#### ORIENTATION ON FIXATION OF PAY

St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, organised an orientation programme on Fixation of Pay on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021 from 3.30 PM to 5.00 PM at the St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, College auditorium. Prof. Jogy Alex, Associate Professor, St. Thomas College, Pala and M.G. University Senate Member was the resource person for the event.

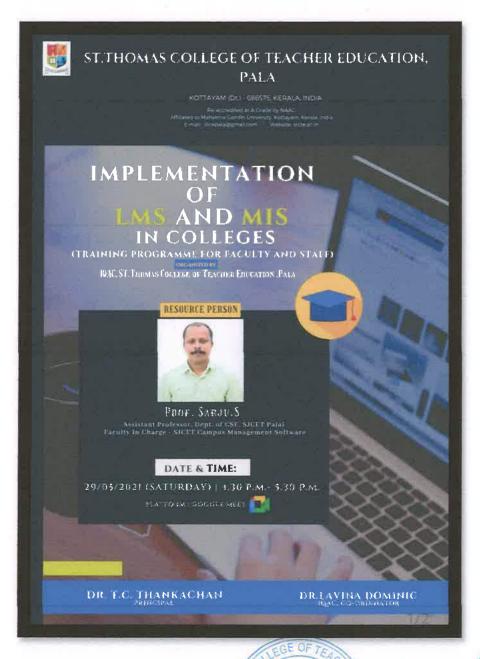
The main objectives for the orientation programme was to orient the faculty and staff on Fixation of Pay according to the revised UGC scheme 2016. The enlightining programme provided a meaningful discussion for the 11 members of the faculty.





#### TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LMS AND MIS

A training program for the implementation of Learning Management System (LMS) and Management Information System (MIS) for the faculty and staff were provided on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2021 by Prof. Sarju. S, Assistant Professor, Department of CSE, St. Joseph's College of Engineering and Technology, Pala. The session provided insightful thoughts among the participants. The resource person discussed the utilities of LMS and MIS. LMS focuses on teaching and learning, MIS focuses on institutional management and data analysis, both being essential for efficient and data-driven decision-making in education. 10 members of the faculty and 12 staff attended the class.



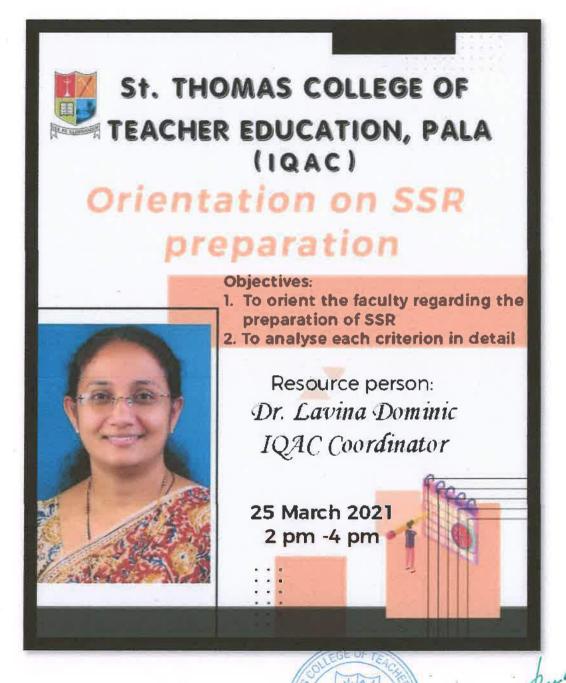
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#### ORIENTATION TO SELF STUDY REPORT PREPARATION

On 25th March 2021, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, organized an orientation to SSR preparation at 2.00 PM. Dr. Lavina Dominic, IQAC Coordinator and Assistant Professor, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, was the resource person of the programme.

The event's main objectives were to orient the faculty regarding the preparation of SSR and to analyse each criterion in detail. The session was fruitful enough for the staff and faculties. The programme ended at 4.00 PM. Eleven teachers took part in it.



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### INTERNATIONAL FACULTY SHARING PROGRAMME - WEBINAR ON 'PROFESSIONALISATION OF TEACHING' - INDIA AND NIGERIA

A webinar, "Professionalization of Teaching in India and Nigeria," was held on May 29, 2021, from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM organised by St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala. The program brought together Dr. T.C. Thankachan, Principal of the college, and Dr. Aliyu Yaya Aliyu from the Department of Curriculum and Instructional Technology at the Federal College of Education in Nigeria as resource persons. Ten faculty and 50 students participated. The webinar provided a valuable comparative perspective on how India and Nigeria are approaching the professionalisation of teaching.

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