



INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

Annual Report 2020- 2021

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF IQAC 2020-21

Along with other activities and initiatives to raise quality benchmarks, the IQAC took steps to conduct programmes for quality enhancement for students, faculty and non-teaching staff.

- As the United Nations celebrated its 75th year, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) and the Albertian Foundation organized **UN-75**, a series of 7 Global Dialogues, a platform for young, bright minds to discuss 7 globally pertinent issues. The event was inaugurated by Mr Billy Batware, Project Officer, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crimes (UNODC), on 5 June 2020.

The topics were *The Climate Crisis – A Race We Can Win*, *The Impact of Digital Technologies*, *A New Era of Conflict and Violence*, *Investing in Health for an Equitable Future*, *Women and Girls: Closing the Gender Gap*, *Shifting Demographics*, and *Inequality: Bridging the Divide*.

- An FDP E-Learning/LMS orientation (Albertian e-portal) June 16, 2020, was conducted for the teaching community and the training stressed the aspect of being up-to-date. E-Learning education makes learning simpler, prolific, and productive. The faculty were encouraged to clearly frame learning objectives which would help identify the level of complexity of the learning outcomes, which in turn would help select the most suitable instructional design strategy for each course.
- A National Webinar on the topic **Looking Ahead: Learning And Inspiring Through Uncertain Times** was organised on June 18, 2020, by the IQAC for the teaching faculty. While so much remained uncertain about what the future holds for the remainder of the academic year, this webinar helped the teaching community go the extra mile to support students and families and help provide some sense of normalcy at a time when everything had been turned upside down.

- For educators, the COVID-19 Pandemic was a quintessential adaptive and transformative challenge, one for which there was no preconfigured playbook that could guide appropriate responses. The College had to swiftly design responses – and with specific contexts in mind – as the pandemic ran its course. It was in this context that the second phase of the Albertian Knowledge Webinar Series was conducted from July 2, 2020. The webinars touched over a rich library of curriculum-aligned lessons in subjects including languages, math, science, technology, and humanities, among others.
- A webinar on *Cyber Ethics and Youth Relationships* was conducted on July 13, 2020, in collaboration with the Department of English, in view of making students responsible citizens who would stand for the truth and fight against contemporary evils of today's society, uphold the dignity of the nation and have moral accountability
- An Online FDP on the topic *Exploring Virtual Learning Platforms* was conducted on July 16, 2020.
- An online talk on *Intellectual Property Rights and Kerala Economy from a Geographical Indication Perspective* was organized on July 29, 2020, in collaboration with the Postgraduate Department of Economics of St. Albert's College (Autonomous) and the Institution's Innovative Council (IIC).
- A National webinar for academicians and research scholars on the topic *National Education Policy NEP 2020 for India: A Complete Revamping of the Education System for Catering the 21ST Century Needs* was conducted on the 11th of August, 2020. The main talks for the webinar were delivered by Prof. T V Kattimani, Former Vice-Chancellor of Indira Gandhi Tribal University and the Drafting Committee Member of the National Educational Policy 2020, Prof. M A Sudheer, Professor Emeritus, Former Dean, School of Education Gandhigram University and the Drafting Committee Member of National Educational Policy 2020 and Prof. Jancy James, former Vice-Chancellor of the Central University of Kerala and Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam.

- On 20th August 2020 the IQAC in collaboration with the Department of Business Administration, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) Ernakulam organized a National Webinar on ***Leadership Paradigm***.
- The Internal Quality Assurance Cell and the Library of St. Albert's College conducted a National Webinar on the topic ***E-Resources for Teaching, Learning and Research*** on 21 August 2020. The resource person was Dr A.T Francis, University Librarian, Kerala Agricultural University, Thrissur.
- The Internal Quality Assurance Cell and The Office of Dean, Training and Development, St. Albert's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam initiated the Archbishop Joseph Attipetty Memorial International Lecture Series from 4 September 2020 as part of the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations of the College. *Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)*, *Spinner Innovation Model*, *Integrated and Intelligent Rooftop Greenhouses*, *Neuroscience and Language Learning*, *Creating a Unique Model of Excellence*, *Globalization & Social Justice: Amartya Sen and Martha Nussbaum's Capabilities Approach*, *Importance of Primes in Crypto Systems*, *Maturity Models in Management of Information Systems* etc. were a few of the topics on which international resource persons delivered talks.
- The Grand Chevalier Prof. L M Pylee Memorial Quarterly Lecture Series was inaugurated on 1st November 2020. The theme was *India: Its Neighbours, Alliance and Hostilities in the 21st Century*. The session was inaugurated by Shri V S Sunilkumar, Minister of Agriculture, Government of Kerala. There was also a video message by Dr Shashi Tharoor MP, Former Minister of State (HRD and External Affairs), Government of India. The second edition of the quarterly lecture series was organized on 23 May 2021. The theme for the session was *Peace and Conflict*.
- On 6th November 2020, an International webinar on the topic: ***Research Methodology: Research Paper Writing and Publishing***. was conducted in collaboration with the Department of Travel & Tourism.

- Webinars on **Accreditation Framework and Documentation for NAAC SSR Criteria I to VII** were started on September 30, 2020. The final webinar on Criterion VII was conducted on March 12, 2021.
- **Schola Brevis 2020** - the Induction Programme for the Undergraduate (2020-23 batch) was conducted from November 9th to 13th, 2020 and for PG (2020-22 batch) from November 16th to 20th, 2020
- The Internal Quality Assurance Cell, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) organized an International Webinar on **Transforming Lives through Social Entrepreneurship** by Mr Bryan Lee, CEO, Krishi Star, Mumbai on 11 November 2020. Mr. Bryan Lee heads Krishi Star, whose vision is to improve lives for smallholder farmers and deliver quality food to customers by transforming agricultural value chains in India.
- A series of international lectures in memory of Archbishop Daniel Acharuparambil was organized by the Office of the Dean, International Affairs and the Internal Quality Assurance Cell in collaboration with the Xavier Board of Higher Education in India from November 19, 2020, to December 14, 2020. Lectures on topics like *Question of Identity in Bioethics, Business Ethics and Responsible Entrepreneurship, The Future of Higher Education, Economical Ideas and Social Market Economy, Relationship between Different Kinds of Knowledge, Positive Emotion and Psychopathology* were delivered by eminent resource persons.
- IIC Albertian Institute of Management (IIC AIM) along with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell organised several one-day lectures on Intellectual Property Rights.
- A Training Programme on **First Aid** was conducted for the non-teaching staff of the College on December 9, 2020. The training helped to educate the employees on how to engage safety consciousness at work.

- A series of career talks were conducted to provide guidance and assistance for students to achieve their career goals as well as to create awareness regarding available career options which would help students in identifying their career objectives. The objective of career talks was mainly to provide required and accurate information to students as well as hand-holding for future courses of action.
- The Internal Quality Assurance Cells (IQAC) of St Albert's College and St Paul's College jointly conducted a National Workshop on the topic **Introduction of Bloom's Taxonomy in Teaching and Evaluation** on December 19, 2020.
- Two online FDPs on **Academic Leadership were conducted in collaboration with the Centre for Academic Leadership and Education Management (CALEM)** from February 6 to 12, 2021 and from March 6 to 13, 2021.
- **Albertian Knowledge Summit (AKS)** – An International Conference on Multidisciplinary Research has been conducted every year since 2016-17. AKS has now become an icon of St. Albert's College (Autonomous) and it has contributed to improving the research aptitude, motivation and knowledge of the students, research scholars, and teachers from and outside the College. The Inauguration Lecture of AKS 2021 (conducted from March 8 to 30, 2021) was by Prof. Gottfried Muenzenberg GSI Darmstadt, Germany.
- The Internal Quality Assurance Cell in collaboration with many Departments conducted a series of talks on **Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)**. The objective of the webinars was to create awareness about IPRs, especially patents and copyrights among faculty members, to guide researchers/inventors in respect of patenting their inventions & to provide insight into practical applications of IP such as patent drafting, patentability search and freedom to operate search, validity/invalidity search, and evidence of use analysis. The talks also helped to provide an overview of the statutory, procedural, and case law underlining these processes and their interplay with litigation.
- The Department of Software Development in association with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell organized an online session on **Research Methodology** on March 30, 2021, for the students and faculty members.
- Thirty-Two MoUs/Collaborative quality initiatives were established with national and international organizations.

- The following teachers attended Professional Development Programmes in the Academic Year 2020 -2021

Sl No	Name of Teachers who have attended	Title of the Professional Development Programme	Date & Duration (From)	Date & Duration (To)
1	Ms. Sislave K S	Entrepreneurship Skill Development Online Course on Ornamental Fishes Production Trade and Technology Transfer organised by Department of Zoology (Diploma in Ornamental Fish Production and Trade), Kongunadu Arts and Science College, Coimbatore,	03/8/2020	09/08/2020
2	Ms. Akhila Lal	STTP on Plastic Upcycling	24/08/2020	29/08/2020
3	Dr Shobita. P. S	STTP on Plastic Upcycling	24/08/2020	29/08/2020
4	Dr Ajitha. H	STTP on Plastic Upcycling	24/08/2020	29/08/2020
5	Mr. Nivedh Eustace	STTP on Plastic Upcycling	24/08/2020	29/08/2020
6	Dr. Krishnakumar K S	Faculty Development Program on Managing Online Classes and Co-creating MOOCS by MHRD- Ramanujan College	18/05/ 2020	03/06/2020

7	Dr. Nify Benny	Faculty Development Program on Managing Online Classes and Co-creating MOOCS by MHRD- Ramanujan College	18/05/ 2020	03/06/2020
8	Dr. Saji John K	Faculty Development Program on Managing Online Classes and Co-creating MOOCS by MHRD- Ramanujan College	18/05/ 2020	03/06/2020
9	Dr. Nisha V S	Faculty Development Program on Managing Online Classes and Co-creating MOOCS by MHRD- Ramanujan College	18/05/ 2020	03/06/2020
10	Dr.Vijay John Gerson	Faculty Development Program on Managing Online Classes and Co-creating MOOCS by MHRD- Ramanujan College	18/05/ 2020	03/06/2020
11	Mr. Joseph Prince D	MOOC course on "Online Learning and Content Development" (FLAIR)	18/04/2020	02/06/2020
12	Ms. Devika V.	3.1)Recent Trends in Research Methodology (Short Term Teaching Programme) 3.2)Teaching and Learning Pedagogy (Short Term Teaching Programme)	18/05/2020	22/05/2020
13	Dr. Ajay G Kamath	Design Thinking	8/11/2020	12/11/2020
14	Ms. Heera B	Introduction to Psychology	05/08/2020	30/09/2020
15	Ms. Mary Jain Jose.K	Orientation Programme (UGC-HRDC)	06/08/2020	17/08/2020
16	Dr.Sajeesh T H	Refresher course on Material Science	15/10/2020	28/10/2020

17	Mr. Augustine Sumesh c J	FDP on managing online classes and co-creating moocs 2.0	18/05/2020	03/06/2020
18	Ms. Pearl Antonette Mendez	Digital Technology for teaching of Life sciences and Humanities	21/07/2020	21/07/2020
19	Ms. Jilu Antony	Online Faculty Development Program on 'Case Discussion Methodology on Rural Marketing & Rural Entrepreneurship'	26/11/2020	30/11/2020
20	Ms. Arya M S	Case Discussion Methodology on Rural Marketing and Rural Entrepreneurship	26/11/2020	30/11/2020
21	Dr Jincy Joseph K	UGC Sponsored Orientation Programme- UGC HRDC, Kannur University	09/01/2020	29/01/2020
22	Ms. Linda George	UGC Sponsored Orientation Programme	10/2/2020	29/02/2020
23	Ms. Asha Maria Thomas	UGC Sponsored Orientation Programme	03/03/2020	23/03/2020
24	Ms. Francis MC	Online Course on Understanding Open Educational Resources	01/04/2020	10/04/2020
25	Dr. Neeraja James	Online Refresher course on Research Methodology for Faculty of Social Sciences sponsored by UGC at UGC HRDC, University of Hyderabad	04/08/2020	18/8/2020
26	Ms. Drishya K Reghuvaran	FDP on R programming (Marthoma college, Thiruvalla, IIT Bombay)	07/09/2020	14/09/2020
27	Dr. Anisha S	FDP on Assessment and Evaluation in Higher Education (CREATES, IISER Bhopal under PMMMNMTT scheme	27/08/2020	04/09/2020

		of MHRD		
28	Mr. Sebastian A.V.	FDP	17/06/2020	26/06/2020
29	Mr. John Sinoj	E Workshop on Novel Approaches in Research Methodology	11/05/2020	17/05/2020
30	Dr Mary Sapna Peter Miranda	7 Days National Faculty Development Programme on "Emerging Trends of Pedagogy in Language, Literature and Social	13/07/2020	13/07/2020
31	Dr Nisha Thomji Varghese	Two Week Online Workshop on "Comprehensive e-learning to e-Training guide for Administrative Work"	25/05/2020	05/06/2020
32	Mr. Sharan Hilary	ARPIT (Online Refresher Course in Commerce) (16 Weeks)	16/02/2020	16/02/2020
33	Ms. Neetha Francis	ARPIT (Online Refresher Course in Commerce) (16 Weeks)	16/02/2020	16/02/2020
34	Ms. Neeraja T.S	ARPIT (Online Refresher Course in Commerce) (16 Weeks)	16/02/2020	16/02/2020
35	Ms. Rency Joseph	ARPIT (Online Refresher Course in Commerce) (16 Weeks)	16/02/2020	16/02/2020
36	Ms. Sumisha E.S	ARPIT (Online Refresher Course in Commerce) (16 Weeks)	16/02/2020	16/02/2020
37	Dr. Rosalind Gonzaga	One Week STTP on Advanced Research Methodology	11/05/2020	15/05/2020
38	Dr.Jitha G.Nair	STTP - Neuroscience of Learning in Digitized Learning Env't	14/ 09/2020	19/ 09/2020
39	Dr. Geo Jos Fernandez	ATAL FDP (Design Thinking)	07/09 /2020	11/09 /2020

40	Mr. Nidhin Johny	STTP: OBE (Phase 1)	17/08/2020	22/08/2020
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