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College,Koyilandy**

Annual report Of Walk with a Scholar Programme 2016-17

Walk With a Scholar programme,a new initiative of the department of collegiate education Government of Kerala started in the college in the academic year 2014-15.This programme is based on the idea of mentoring in which the external and internal mentors,using their expertise and resources facilitate the development of mentees.

On receiving intimation from the WWS authorities,Mrs.Remya K,Asst.Professor,Department of Computer Science of this college was selected as the coordinator and 15 teachers were selected as internal mentors in the staff council meeting.Soon after the training programme for the coordinator and receipt of funds, six meritorious students from each class of five departments were selected.In a meeting of the internal mentors and the principal,internal mentors were provided with the guidelines issued by the WWS authorities and copies of other materials provided at the training programme and the necessary modalities were chalked out.

Internal Mentoring Sessions

WWS programme was organized in the most benefitting manner.We were able to scaffold the students in a very meaningful manner through the contracting phase,supporting phase,reviewing phase and recognition phase.The SWOT analysis strategy enabled us to guide the students keeping in mind their individual and socio-cultural differences.For this reason we were able to guide the learner through the right path to reach the right place.It was generally agreed that the internal mentoring may be with special emphasis on general skills taking into account the need of every students in the group.At the end of the mentoring session each internal mentor submitted a report to the coordinator after a performance analysis.

External Mentoring Sessions

External mentoring session is an important session in the WWS Programme. This effective strategy enabled the students to broaden their vision about their post graduate anxieties and professions.

One of the external mentoring session was 'Life Skills' handled by A. Vinod, Asso. Prof of Commerce(Rtd.), Govt. College Madappally. Various activities and interactive sessions were introduced to the students to meet the challenges of life. It enabled them to overcome the pressures of semester system along with the heavy workload. This programme also enriched their interest in cocurricular activities.

'Income tax Implications' was the session taken by Ramakrishnan V, Chartered Accountant. This session were arranged in this field of study to enable the students to understand the different aspects related to income tax applications. It proved worthwhile and increased their confidence to tackle the less easy concepts of tax.

Dr. Subeesh M M, HSST Commerce, Govt. HSS Avitanallur handled the session called 'Commerce Education through IT'. This was one of the best topic based presentation arranged for our most deserving students. The person concerned explained the topic very well and in a very effective manner. It was highly interactive. So the students were able to clear their doubts in this field of study. The session was very motivating and it increased the confidence level of our participants. He handled another session called 'Motivation and EntrepreneurshipSkills' , through this the students got the motivation to become an entrepreneur.

'Personality Development' was the session taken by Ajith Kumar C, JCI Trainer. It was a very important programme that help the students to come out of their shell by shedding their fear and inferiority complex. This session played a vital role in increasing their self confidence. The activities that were organized enabled the students to improve their presentation skills along with the communication skills. They were abled to manage their stage fear and improve their presentation skills by participating in the various activity oriented programmes.

'Creativity through Entrepreneurship' was the session handled by Praveen M V, Asst. Prof of Commerce, Govt. College Madappally. In order to increase the creativity and performance we organize these sessions. This helped them to increase

their confidence and communication ability. Creativity based on individual skills and the power of imagination enable the students to do wonders.

‘Focus on character and Career’ was the session taken by Sangeetha G Nair, Asst. Prof of English, SN College Chelannur. Caught in the web of life children are very often distracted from the so called meaningful part of life. Hence a program was organized by the department of English to enable them to be focused in their goal. Character moulding also very essential in this present era where we lose our moral values. In this session teacher interacted with the students personally to understand the student’s personal likes and attitudes.

The session ‘Academic Motivational ‘ was taken by Premanand M E, Asso. Prof of English, Malabar Christian College. In this session students were provided opportunities to mingle with eminent personalities for motivational talk.

‘I Am the Best’ this was a session taken by Haris K, Trainer and Motivator, Psychological Counsellor. To zoom up the students talent and to enable them to overcome stage fear. As a part of this strategies were adopted to develop knowledge , communication skills.

Arathi S, Psychologist delivered a presentation on ‘Mental Flexibility’. Our students face multiple issues that bother them and turn their attention for from academic performances. They face emotional problems , learning problems, family related problems, social issues etc. Hence it is the responsibility of the mentor to provide them with a academic help, emotional support, career planning. Individual and group activities were given in a balanced and unbiased manner to increase their mental ability.

Hari K, Sr. Technical Officer &Sreejesh SG, Technical Officer, both from NIELIT Calicut, NIT Campus were taken sessions on ‘ Computer networking Security Issues & Digital Electronics Fundamentals’. This was one of the best topic based presentation arranged for our most deserving students. The person concerned explained the topic very well and in a very effective manner. It was highly interactive. So the students were able to clear their doubts in this field of study. Various security issues had been discussed during the session.

P Premakumar, Asso. Professor, C H Gangadharan, Asso. Professor both the personalities are Retired from Govt. College, Madappally discussed about Electrochemistry and Organic Chemistry. This influenced the students a lot. M P Sreedharan Nair, HOD of Chemistry(Rtd.), Malabar Christian College also discussed about it.

Motivational Visit

As a part of the WWS Programme the Dept of Computer Science organized a one day motivational visit to the net stager at ' Hilite Business Park' ,Calicut on 16-06-2017. This firm which is also a google partner is established by 3 friends who had done their post-graduation from Calicut university. They initiated this enterprise on their own as they were not interested in working under any other establishment. Our students benefited much from this interactive session as they got awareness on cycles of software developments and new trends in IT.

As a part of the WWS Programme the Dept of Chemistry organized a one day motivational visit to the CWRDM, Calicut. The CWRDM is one of the leading institution for water resource management in India. The institution conducting many projects for water quality management. They introduced water card at different areas. Dr. MadhavanKoomath welcomed us and described about water quality parameters limit and water contamination of water resources. The water scarcity is one of the main problem of kerala. Many of our well water and river water is polluting due to the unscientific use of humans. Proper waste management is very important to protect our water resources. This session was very interesting and informative. After lunch they visited water museum at CWRDM.

On 6th March 2017, a group of 18 students from three BA English main classes who belonged to the WWS group began their journey to the University of Calicut in a bus by 8am. All of them were excited to see the C. H. Mohammed Koya central Library of the university and the English department library. The party reached at the university by 9.45 and headed straight to the C. H. Mohammed Koya central Library where they were received by the library staff and after the formalities were taken to the stack room. They were introduced to the catalogue system as well as book sorting mechanism. Digital method of finding a book also was taught. Then they were taken inside the library and then to the reference hall. After the tea and

refreshment, they were taken to the seminar hall for a video demonstration by the staff. The latest methods of documentation and digitalization were the topics. It lasted about 40 minutes.

By 11.30, they moved to the department of English where they were received by Dr. Janaki, the HOD and were taken to the seminar hall for the inspirational address. In a short speech, she outlined the various career and study options for the students of Literature and she even cared to take questions from the students. It lasted about one hour, including the interaction. They were then taken to the department library.

The return journey via Calicut began by 1 pm and they reached the town by 1.45 where they were given a sumptuous lunch at Nirayi hotel in the beach. After lunch, they had a poetry recitation in the beach where poems like Dover Beach were sung by them, invoking the live background of the sea. By 3.30 they started for Koyilandy and reached here by 4.20 and they were sent to their respective houses laden with rich memories of a lovely journey.

Coordinator (wvs programme)

Principal





