

# **ST. PAUL INSTITUTE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES, INDORE**

## **REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES DURING THE YEAR 2017-18**

**You have multiplied, O Lord my God, Your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you. Ps 40/5**

My Heartfelt Regards and Greetings to

Respected Presiding Guest, our loving Chairman, His Supremacy, Most Rev. Dr. Chacko Thottumarickal SVD, Bishop, Catholic Diocese of Indore

Honourable Chief Guest, His Excellency, Dr. Narendra Kumar Dhakad, Vice Chancellor, Devi Ahilya University, Indore

Esteemed Director of our College, Rev. Fr. Simon Raj,

Rev. Fathers, Sisters, PPA executive members, Parents, Guardians, Well-wishers, benefactors, Members of the Faculty and Staff and my dear Students,

I bow my head in reverence to the Almighty God and thank Him for bestowing His Innumerable Blessings upon our SPIPS Family in these eight years.

Before I begin, I would sincerely wish to acknowledge the immense contribution of the former and founder Director Dr. Fr. C. Michael John in the growth of the college. He was bid an emotional farewell in the last Academic year.

Now, Rev. Fr. Simon Raj and I, Dr. Sr. Alice Thomas are an integral part of SPIPS family as the Director and Principal, respectively.

Today, I feel delighted to take you through the prominent achievements of our College for this Academic Year.

### **I - Curricular Aspects**

While 415 students of the Batch 2014-17 were given an emotional farewell, 543 new students became a part of SPIPS Family raising the strength of the College to 1472 students. A two days welcome cum orientation programme was organized for them. One week English Magic Classes were conducted by Fr. Jolly Pulikkal for the first year students.

The College celebrated its Eighth Foundation Cum Freshers' Talent Show Day on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017 with immense zeal and fervor.

At the outset, I wish to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of 41 faculty members and 33 Administrative and Service Staff Members, who play a vital role in the growth of the College. I am glad to share that 20 of our Faculty Members are crowned with a Doctorate Degree, 6 are NET qualified and 3 are SET qualified.

As a fervent initiative towards life skills development and employability, the following programmes were conducted

1. Four short term certificate courses in Film Making & Photography, Art & Craft, Beauty & Wellness and Smartphone Repairing.
2. Free of cost special skills training courses under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana in Data Entry Operator, Computer Hardware Training and Beauty & Wellness.
3. Workshops on Govt. Job Mantras and Vedic Mathematics.
4. Thirteen invited talks on career opportunities, current affairs, entrepreneurship development, Import Export management, cloud computing, drug abuse, etc.
5. Three Industrial Visits and two Industrial Exposure & Study Tours were organized

I am happy to share that 6 of our students were recruited by reputed companies like Amazon.com, TekInfo Tree and Cap Gemini through Open Campus Drives even as they completed their graduation.

## **II- Teaching - Learning and Evaluation**

Owing to the high amount of significance given to the academic excellence, our students meticulously attended the Common Class Tests, Pre-University Exams and duly submitted their Assignments. As a student friendly initiative, remedial classes for various subjects, spoken English and spoken Hindi classes were introduced this year.

Our student, Ms. Tanisha Dalal secured first position and a Gold Medal in the Devi Ahilya University for B.Com. (Hons) Course.

The Result of the Academic Year was very satisfactory with majority of the students securing First Division.

The Result of the Batch 2014-17 is as follows:-

Class	Total Number of Students	Pass Percentage
BBA	52	100%
BCA	27	100%
B.Com(Hons)	53	100%
B.Com(Tax)	49	100%
B.Com(CA)	53	100%
B.Com(FT)	33	100%
B.Com(Plain)	39	100%
BA	22	100%
B.Sc.	36	95%

### III- Research, Innovations and Extension

As a part of research initiatives, our college for the first time hosted a six days UGC sponsored Short Term Course in Research Methodology that was organized by the Human Resource Development Centre, Devi Ahilya University, Indore. The course was inaugurated by Honourable Vice Chancellor of DAVV, Dr. Narendra Kumar Dhakad.

Our college organized a National Seminar on Science and Religion in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Science and Religion, New Delhi. The Seminar was graced by our honourable Chief Guest Dr. Narendra Dhakad and Presiding Guest, our Bishop, Most. Rev. Dr. Chacko Thottumarickal. The ISSN coded multi-disciplinary Journal 'Luminous' of our college was also released during the Seminar.

The Principal, Dr. Sr. Alice Thomas, possessing a flair for research, participated in various national and international conferences, presented papers and delivered Invited Talks.

Dr. Lalitha Sharma was awarded Best social worker .....

Dr. Vishal Mehta, Dr. Unmekha Tare, Dr. Anil Mirchandani, Dr. Rakesh Agrawal, Dr. Ravi Vyas and Dr. Sarita Rana are selected as Research Guides for Commerce in DAVV.

Dr. Pragati Jain authored a book titled "Advanced Abstract Algebra". She was conferred "Excellent Youth Award" in the field of Research. She was invited as Resource Person in a National Seminar and has the honour of judging a State Level Science Fair organized by the Government of India. She was selected as Woman of the Year 2017 in the Education category by the Forum of Indo Global SME Chambers.

SPIPS family heartily extends its best wishes to Prof. Ashweni Suryawanshi for clearing the NET and Dr. Goldie Zaki, Prof. Vikas Rathore and Prof. Aarti Patel for clearing the SET.

Our Faculty Members actively participated in Faculty Development and Training Programmes. They presented and published a large number of research papers in various international and national conferences and journals.

Dr. Sonal Sisodia was the recipient of the Best Case Study Award and also the Best Research Paper Award in the International Conference organised by Prestige Institute of Management and Research, Indore.

Prof. Gourav Rawal, Dr. Unmekha Tare, Dr. Vishal Mehta, Dr. Avinash Yadav, Dr. Rafique Khan and Dr. Goldie Zaki are rendering their active services to Police Radio Training School and in the DAVV in various capacities.

#### **IV- Infrastructure and Learning Resources**

The state of the art infrastructure is an outstanding feature of our college and the Management of our college deserves enormous acknowledgement for ensuring that the highest standard of facilities are provided to the students.

In order to make teaching more fruitful and tech savvy, seven Interactive Boards were added to the facilities and a hand-on training session was conducted for the faculty to familiarize them with the same.

#### **V- Student Support and Progression**

A strong teacher-student relationship coupled with regular counseling for student well-being is a special feature of our college.

Aiming at the integral development of the students, Inter-House Arts and Literary Competitions, Indoor Games Competitions, Annual Athletics Meet, celebration of festivals and the days of National and International importance, Treasure Hunt, Quiz Competitions, Creativity and Personality Enhancing Programmes and many more were organized in large numbers.

The elections of the Students Council Body were duly conducted and the Investiture Ceremony for the members of the Students' Representative Body and House-wise Office Bearers of the College was held.

The College published the Annual Magazine and three Newsletters, all named 'Luminous' during the year which helped to showcase the creative talents of our students.

Our College has the honour of hosting a two days Inter-collegiate Badminton Tournament (Men & Women) and the Inter-collegiate District level Quiz Competition of DAVV Youth Festival.

On the occasion of St. Paul day, a fun fair titled SPIPS Fiesta 2018 was organized and the students enthusiastically put forth their entrepreneurial genius.

Eight of our students were selected as the members of the University Teams in various sports category.

Mr. Neeraj Yadav was selected as the 'Best Sportsman of the Year' and Ms. Aruna Singh as the 'Best Sportswoman of the Year'.

Ms. Tanisha Dalal was selected 'Best in Fine Arts'.

## **VI- Governance, Leadership and Management**

The College has been flourishing smoothly and has reached greater heights under the care of the Management of the College headed by our loving Chairman, Most Rev. Dr. Chacko Thottumarickal, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Indore. The SPIPS family extends a profound gratitude to the Management for their utmost care and concern.

The Director of the College, Rev. Fr. Simon Raj, a person blessed with immense potential and leadership qualities, plays a pivotal role in the efficient running of the College. With him we are sure of scaling even greater heights in the years to come.

To enhance the quality of education, Faculty Enrichment Programmes were conducted by:

1. Dr. Sr. Alice Thomas
2. Dr. Rajan Varghese
3. Fr. Sebastian SDB
4. Dr. O.P. Agrawal

Faculty - Enriching – Faculty Programmes were organized by:-

1. Dept. of Commerce
2. Dept. of Management
3. Dept. of Humanities
4. Dept. of Science
5. Dept. of Computer Science

In order to strengthen the coordination with the parents, the Parents Professors Meetings and the Executive Committee Meetings of the Parents Professors Association are held periodically.

## **VII- Institutional Values and Best Practices**

NSS conducted the following programmes:-

1. Seven days Annual Special Camp at Macchla Village.
2. Literacy classes in the slum areas of Bicholi Kakad Village.
3. Regular visit to Jyoti Niwas, a home for the destitute
4. Regular visit to the homes of differently abled children

NSS and NCC cadets in collaboration with Indore Diocese Social Service Society IDSSS, conducted the following programmes:-

1. Blind Walk on World Sight Day
2. Street Plays on World AIDS Day at Musakhedi Square and Barah Phathar Hanuman Mandir Square.
3. Differently Abled Children Day
4. A Blood Donation Camp in the college wherein 45 units of blood were donated
5. Session on Awareness on Organ donation
6. Visits to orphanages
7. Visits to Central Jail

8. Donation of woolens and clothes to the needy,
9. Two off-campus Plantation drives. 1- Simrol Village 2 – Agriculture Main Road
10. Independence Day and Republic Day

Our NCC Cadets participated in various NCC Training and Certificate Camps.

With a view to empower our girl students the following programmes were held:-

1. Workshop on self-defense
2. Women empowerment
3. Safeguard against social media
4. Safety riding

The activities of the Christian Students' Association were organized in large numbers.

As a part of our earnest effort to impart Value Based Quality Education, the Director and the Principal conducted Special Orientation Programmes for the students. This year, students from each class gave presentations on life skills with the aim of making them better leaders.

Christmas Celebration of Extended SPIPS Family was organized. We are thankful to our Chairman Most. Rev. Chacko Thottumarikal, our Chief Guest, Dr. Narendra Dhakad and Dr. Ajay Verma, Registrar, DAVV for their blissful presence in the Celebration.

I take this occasion as a pleasant opportunity to sincerely thank our dear parents for all their whole-hearted support and co-operation.

I wish to conclude by entrusting our College to the divine hands of our Patron St. Paul and by invoking his blessings for the journey ahead.

May the Lord continue to shower His grace upon our College in the years to come!

**THANK YOU!**

**Dr. Sr. Alice Thomas**  
**Principal**