# 2017-2018

# **Action Plan**

- Literary interaction with eminent scholars.
- Spoken/ communicative English classes to the students.
- Organising "Speak your English better" English speaking training for teachers.
- Organising a guest lecture.
- Regular weekly debate "Under the Mango Tree."
- Conducting *various competitions*\_such as hand writing, essay writing, story writing , slogan writing and poem writing competitions.
- *Coaching for IBPS* for the SC/ST and minority students.
- Training in *Creative Writing*.
- *Outreach programme*-teaching Basic English to the primary school children of the neighbouring schools.
- To encourage students to use the computer in the department and access the internet for further study.
- To encourage students to make use of department/ College Library
- To distribute dictionaries to optional English students.
- Presenting papers in the National Seminar and publishing the papers in journals.
- Screening movies related to texts.
- Conducting a seminar.

## • AN INTERACTIVE SESSION ON "HIV-AIDS: A HUMANISTIC APPROACH

Department of English organized an interactive session on "HIV Positive: A Humanistic Approach" on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017. M/s. Shanthi Noronha, the Project Coordinator at Deepa Jyothi Foundation, Udupi was the resource person.

She spoke about the preventive measures to be adopted by the responsible citizens in preventing this dreadful malice. She discussed at length the consequences of the disease on the individual, family and society at large.

She advised the students to evolve a humanistic approach in dealing with HIV-Positive people. The 'Positives' are in need of love and care and they must not be treated as untouchables. The stigma attached to the 'Positive People' must be systematically solved by the citizens of the country. The vulnerable people are the poor, uneducated, migrants and careless youngsters. General awareness about the disease is more important among the youth, she emphasised.

The Principal Dr Vincent Alva presided over the function. HOD of English Department Prof. Cyril Mathias introduced the Resource Person. Mr. Sandeep Shetty, Mrs. Chandrika, from the Department of English were present on the dais. The programme was compered by Pratheeksha K of 1 BCOM and Mr. Sandeep Shetty delivered the vote of thanks.

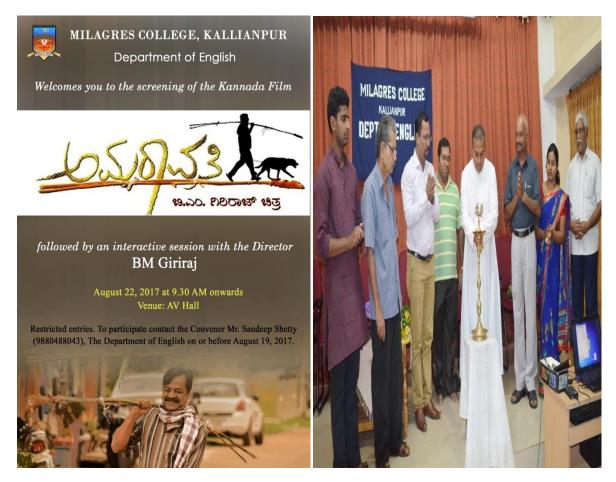


### AMARAVATHI' FILM SCREENING AND INTERACTION

A programme of screening of a Kannada film 'Amaravathi' was organised by the department of English. The director of the movie Mr BM Giriraj and his team participated in the interaction that took place soon after the screening.

G Rajashekhar, a renowned columnist and Human Rights activist initiated the discussion on the theme and direction of the movie. Mr Giriraj appraised the viewers, the circumstances that lead to the production of the movie. The perennial problem of scavengers and scavenging in the cities is the theme of the movie. The humane problems faced by the most neglected workforce- 'the manual scavengers' was discussed by the viewers. The problem posed by slums and slum dwellers in the cities was deliberated. G Rajashekhar referred to Bezwada Wilson and his vision of a city without slums became the focal theme of the discussion.

The programme was presided over the Principal of the college, Dr Vincent Alva. Chief Guest Dr Fr Anil Prakash Castelino addressed the audience. HOD of English Prof. Cyril Mathias, Mrs Chandrika, Mr Sandeep Shetty from the Department of English were present on the dais. Nirmala of III BSC compered the programme. Yashodha of II BCOM thanked the gathering.



## • VISIT TO 'OZANAM HOME FOR THE AGED' AT KALLIANPUR

Optional English students of Milagres College, Kallianpur paid a visit to 'Ozanam Home for the Aged' at Kallianpur on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2017. Students conducted variety entertainment programmes. There was an interactive session with the inmates of the home. It was an enriching moment for both the students and the inmates.

Students of Optional English from all the classes of BA participated. Prof. Cyril Mathias, HOD of English, Prof. JayaramShettigar, HOD of History, Prof. Harinakshi, HOD of Kannada, Mrs Chandrika, Mr.SandeepShetty from the Department of English were present.



## • <u>GUEST LECTURE ON CULTURAL EXCHANGE</u>

Department of English organized a guest lecture by Rebecca Stonefield and Andrew Narrative from England for the Under Graduate students on January 11. Rebecca Stonefield, the author of four books, also a trainer for the children on writing skills, said "Diverse countries like India do provide ample opportunities for the young writers to shine; students should habituate themselves to the art of writing."AndrewNarrative,Civil Engineer specialised in Water and Sanitisation, who worked in the slum community of East-Africa, spoke about the social awareness the students should possess.

The session was followed by an interaction with the students. Dr Vincent Alva, Principal of the college, Prof. Cyril Mathias, HOD of Englishwere present on the dais. Jovita of III BSC compered the programme.



### • <u>A CERTIFICATE COURSE IN COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH</u>

Department of English conducted a Certificate Course in Communicative English for the interested students of the college. The course duration was for 25 hours.



# U.G.C. Sponsored National Seminar on Post Colonialism & 21<sup>st</sup> Century Literature.

The Department organised Two Day U.G.C. Sponsored National Seminar on "Post Colonialism and Twenty First Century Literature in The A.V. Hall. Around 100 delegates comprising of Professors, Lecturers, Research Scholars, Post Graduation Students and Under Graduate Students from Karnataka attended the Seminar.

The seminar was inaugurated by Prof. R. Shashidhar Dean, Faculty of Arts, Department of English, Mangalore University by delivering the key note address. English professor R Shashidhar, Mangaluru University in his keynote address said, "Postcolonialism has three kinds of concepts namely archaeology (discourse of knowledge), genealogy (modulation of history for understanding) and a text or deconstruction of history. The concept of 'Hinduism' was created by the British through comparisons between Christian and Hindu cultures. Indian postcolonialism is passive and needs to be questioned in order to be activated. On literature alone, many experiments have been conducted in regional languages. Postcolonialism is not restricted to one period alone, but is a continuous process."

On 30<sup>th</sup> March, Dr Robert Jose associate professor, Bellary University presented a paper on , "Health of Education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century". Dr. Dominic Bangalore University presented a paper on " Post Colonialism and Twenty First Century". On 31<sup>st</sup> March Dr Dattatreya M associate professor, Kuvempu University presented a paper on "Post Colonial Literary Challenges" and professor Chitra Panikkar, department of English, Bangalore University presented a paper on the topic 'Will the Same Old Terms Suffice, Palestinian Experiences in Literature." 22 deligates from various colleges presented paper on the occasion.



#### **RELEASE OF BOOKS**

**1.** On 31<sup>/</sup> 3/ 17 **'PERCEPTIONS'** a book of essays on fiction and drama was released by Prof. Chitra Panikkar, Department Of. English, Bangalore University. This book contains articles presented by Lecturers, Research Scholars and students.



# • Under the Mango Tree Activities:

Literary Association conducted programmes under the Mango tree. It has discussed many topics, such as

- Auto biography of Dr APJ Abdul Kalam
- Imposing Hindi in Southern part of India, Is it justified?
- Liquor banning within highway limits
- Farm loan waiver & farmer's suicide.
- Is India really free?
- A quiz competition was organized under the mango for the students.





### STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

### **DR VINCENT ALVA**

- Presented a paper "Role of Intellectual in Shaping Society and Culture" at National seminar on 'Society, culture and Morden Intellectuals' organised by department of English, held at Fr Robert Sequiera Hall, LCRI Block, St. Aloysius College (Autonomous) on 25 January 2018.
- Delivered a key note address in a one day a Multilingual Conference on language, literature and culture: a means of human existence sustenance and development at Milagres College, Mangalore, on 24 February 2018.

## **Cyril Mathias**

- Participated one seminar on "Language and literature in the digital world: Perils and possibilities" held on 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 at Bhandarkars Arts andScience College Kundapura.
- Participated as a Chair person in the three days International conference organised by Forum of College English Teachers, Kuvempu University and Indian society for Common Wealth studies, New Delhi, at Karnataka Sanga, B. H. Road Shivmoga on 7 to 9<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

## Mrs. Chandrika

- Participated in one day National Level Seminar on 11<sup>th</sup>October 2018 at Milagres College Kallianpur on the Topic, Gender sensibility in Modern Literature".
- Presented a paper in the National Seminar titled, "Cultural Linguistic Diversity of English Language Speakers in Udupi District" at Milagres College, Mangalore on February 2018.

### Sandeeep Shetty

- Participated one day workshop for the college teachers, organised by association of English Teachers (AET) held at SVS College Bantwal on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2017.
- participated in an orientation programme of world youth parliament held at st. aloysious college (autonomous) mangalore, on 27<sup>th</sup> january 2018.

# • Students achievement

- 1. Sarah, of I BCA, guided by the Department of English, won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in Essay writing competition organized by Speakers Club, PPC College Udupi.
- Yajnesh& team of 2<sup>nd</sup> B.Com. guided by the Department of English, won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in Short Film Making Contest conducted by Nehru Yuva Kendra, Udupi.
- **3.** Pratheeksha, of 2<sup>nd</sup> B.Com. A, guided by Department of English, won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in essay writing competition, conducted by Nehru Yuva Kendra, Udupi.