

## Annual Report 2016-17

### Introduction

With a steep sense of gratitude towards God almighty and interceding the prayers and blessings of our heavenly patron Saint Vincent De Paul and holy founder Fr. Varkey Kattarath, I present this annual report of DiST 2016-2017.

### DiST at a Glance

There are 6 departments, 17 courses, 1301 students (UG 737, PG 564) and 145(80+65) staff.

### Changes in the Administrative Team

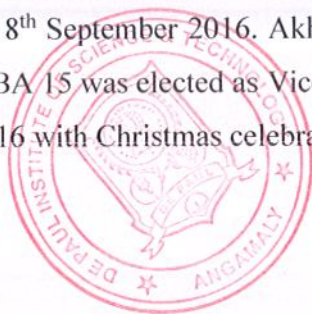
Fr. Norvy Vithayathil who is the director of De Paul Extension Service (DES) and De Paul Centre for Research and Development (DCRD) is appointed the HoD of the School of Social Work. Fr. Robin Chittuparambil is appointed as the Course Coordinator of the De Paul School of Media and Communication besides being the Coordinator of Community and Spiritual Animation in DiST.

### College Union

The college union organizes the common activities of the college. Arcobaleno 16, the last college day was celebrated on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The meeting was presided over by Rev. Fr. Paul Puthuva VC, the provincial Superior and Honourable Justice Kurien Joseph of the Supreme Court was the chief guest. It also published the college magazine 'Intelligentisa 2016'



The College Union activities for the year 2016-2017 was started with the Union Election held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2016. Akhil George of MBA 15 was elected as Chairman; Rensha P.R. of MBA 15 was elected as Vice Chairperson. The union inauguration was held on December 23, 2016 with Christmas celebrations.



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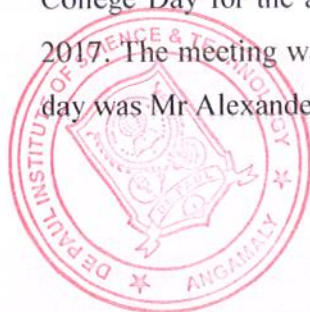


A variety of completions like Christmas Carol, Crib Making, Showstopper Santa, Card Making Out Door Games etc. were conducted. Sports Day was conducted on 21<sup>st</sup> January and arts day: Dhruva 2017 on 28<sup>th</sup> which was inaugurated Bose Krishnachari, famous Indian Painter.



### College Day - 2017

College Day for the academic year 2016-17 "Dreams 17" was conducted on 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2017. The meeting was presided over by Rev Dr Paul Puthuva V C. The Chief Guest of the day was Mr Alexander Jacob IPS, former DGP of Kerala.




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## Departmental Activities

All the six departments are functioning very efficiently under the leadership of their HoD's. Our teachers are very dedicated and efficient in completing the lessons well in advance and conducting internal exams in time. All the departments have conducted De buds programme to welcome and initiate the new comers to the new courses. For this purpose, they are given motivation classes, bridge courses etc.



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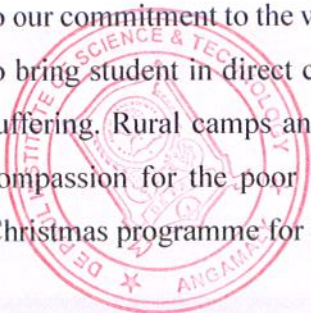
Besides the curricular activities all the departments organize other activities to prepare the students industry ready through add on courses, Fests and Department clubs and associations: Innovision and De Technista of CS PG, Agora and Daksh of Management, SADESS and Denovo of MSW, Club beta and Divario of Commerce, Technoriders and Luminous of CS UG and AVAS(Academy of Visual Arts and Sciences) and OPUS (Media and Literary Fest) of Multimedia and Communication. School of Management is celebrating its decennial year.



Though there exists a collaboration with De Paul University Chicago, our students had never been that side for student exchange programme. I am happy to inform you that this time five of our students with one faculty from De Paul School of Management had been to Chicago for a two week programme. The department has also organized an international conference with theme “Triple Bottom Line for Sustainability: Role of Government, Corporate and Non Profit Sector” in collaboration with De Paul University Chicago.

### Social Commitment

Following the example of our heavenly patron St. Vincent De Paul, we give special attention to our commitment to the wider society. Every department arranges some outreach programme to bring student in direct contact with the urgent problems of the environment, the poor and suffering. Rural camps and visit to charitable homes are also arranged in order to inculcate compassion for the poor in the minds of the students. MSW had organized Jingle Bells a Christmas programme for special children, Computer Science (PG): awareness class on blood



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and stem cell donation, Computer Science(UG) awareness programme on cancer and initiated hair donation campaign, Commerce department organized a seminar on organ donation and School of Management invited a foot and mouth artist for its curtain raiser. All department organized visits to the homes for the poor, the sick and the mentally and physically challenged. Some departments organized rural camps also.



DISA a career guidance programme in association with Malayala Manorama was organized in last April for the higher secondary students in which more than 200 students participated. Also we conduct career guidance programme-Lakshya-for schools and colleges.



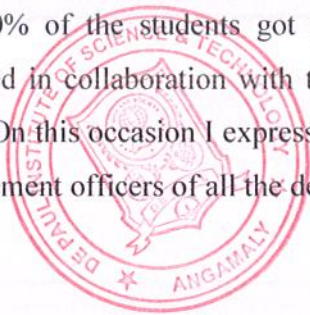
Two units of NSS also are actively functioning in DiST and it has organized rural camp, celebration of Yoga Day, Gandhi Jayanthi, blood donation camps etc.





**Placement**

The students are given special training for placement by inviting professional trainers. They are given hands on training and interaction with people from industry. In this year we already have number of placements in all the departments. In the recently passes out MCA and MSc batch 80% of the students got placement. An awareness class on entrepreneurship was conducted in collaboration with the department of commerce and industry, Government of Kerala. On this occasion I express my gratitude to the placement coordinator, director and all the placement officers of all the departments for their service in placement activities.



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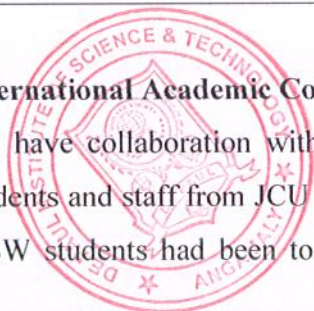
## Results

On the whole we have very excellent result in the university examination. Fr Anoop Joseph is university topper in MAMM examination. Mr. Nobin Antony and Mr Sundeeep Soman of MSc13-15 secured I and II rank respectively in the university examination. Ms. Keerthy Jayakumar MScI-16 became the university topper. Hearty congratulations to these students.

Programme Name	Students Appeared	Students Passed	Pass Percentage
Batchelor of Computer Application	50	36	72
Batchelor of Commerce-Computer Application	56	26	46
Batchelor of Commerce-Finance & Taxation	63	33	52
BA Multimedia	24	6	25
BA Animation and Visual Effects	11	11	100
English Communication Journalism& Communication	30	26	87
Master of Social Work	29	25	86
Master of Communication & Journalism	25	13	52
MA Multimedia	7	7	100
Master of Business Administration	60	28	47
Master of Human Resource Management	23	20	87
MPhil	7	7	100
M Sc Computer Engineering & Network Technology	5	5	100
Master of Computer Applications	13	10	77
Master of Computer Applications - Lateral Entry	37	34	92
M Com Finance & Taxation	27	8	30
	<b>467</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>63</b>

## International Academic Collaboration

We have collaboration with JCU Australia and De Paul University Chicago. Every year students and staff from JCU visit as part of student faculty exchange programme. Two of our MSW students had been to JCU for a one-month exchange programme. De Novo'16 the





international conference and social work students meet on 'Social Work and Health': Inclusive practice, education and research was organized in collaboration with JCU. This time there were 10 JCU students for exchange programme. Another team JCU Department of Arts visited School of Media and Communication department in the month of June and had successful interaction with students of various batches as well as faculty members. During their stay at DiST for a fortnight, the team expressed their satisfaction about the infra structure, students' involvement and launch of activities.



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## De Paul Centre for Research and Development(DCRD) and De Paul Extension Service(DES)

It is established to foster research oriented activities in DiST. Fr. Norby Vithayathil VC was appointed as its director in May 2016. The fourth volume of De Paul Journal of Scientific Research and three books were published in this reporting period. DES has initiated a project on combating climate change as a part of our institutional social responsibility.

### Value Education Classes

I am very happy to report that there is regular value education classes in order to make it more systematic we are following a text book this year. There are three student counsellors, two full time and one-part time, appointed to help the students. We had arranged two retreats for students in the month of August.

### Faculty Development Programme (FDP)

Staff members are encouraged to participate in different faculty development programme either in DiST or in other colleges.



A common residential academic retreat was conducted in the month of May 2016 for two days in which all teaching faculty actively participated. Another one day programme was organized for the non-teaching staff on May itself. A workshop on article writing and research methodology was conducted by DCRD for the teaching staff.

### Scholarship

We offer both merit and means scholarship to help meritorious and poor students. In this academic year we have granted scholarship for Rs.3061000/-



## Library

We have a library with 16400 books,37 journals,41 periodicals more than 3000 e-journals and online data bases such as Pro-Quest and DELNET. In order to foster reading habit among students we have conducted Current Awareness Test and easy competitions in connection with reading day.

## Sports and Games

As part of encouraging sports and games we have formed a Volley ball team and also upgraded the court. Our team has already won different tournaments. Our team has reached the quarter final of the MGU championship.

## Conclusion

DiST has completed fifteen years of existence. It has grown faster and greater than its founders had imagined. Surely it is the work of God and it is marvellous. I bow my head in adoration and thanks giving before the heavenly Father. We are grateful to Fr Varghese Parappuram VC, the superior General and also Very Rev. Paul Puthuva VC and their councillors for their guidance and support. We are thankful to Rev. Fr. Alex Chalangady VC our former principal and present associate manager. I thank all my conferrers of the Vincentian Provincial House, Vincentian House, De Paul College, De Paul EMHS, De Paul Music Academy and VSS for their understanding and help in activities of DiST. My dear staff and students, whatever DiST has become is because of your dedication and hard work. I thank Rev. Sr Dennis CPS and the Preshitharam Congregation for their service in the Ladies hostel. Last of all but not in the least, I place on record my obligation to Vice Principal Fr Samir Macwan, Finance Director Fr. Baiju Poovathumoottil, Hostel Director Fr. Jibin Erambil , MSW HoD and DCRD Director Fr. Norby Vithayathil and Course Cordinator of De Paul School of Media and Communication and Community and Spiritual Animation Fr Robin Chittuparambil for their constant support.

Rev.(Dr.) James Chelapurath VC

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