

Periyar Arts College, Cuddalore-607001

Annual Report

2020-2021 & 2021-2022

Good morning, everybody. Historically, Cuddalore was a part of Chola country, later Thondai Nadu, and center of the state. During the British rule, the city of Cuddalore has the distinction of being the capital of Tamil Nadu for some time. Sri Appar Peruman and Thiru Arulprakasa Vallalar belonged to this city. It is also called as the Sugar Bowl of Tamil Nadu. I am proud to present the annual report of Periyar Arts College, which was established 58 years ago to flourish education in the city of Cuddalore. It is rich in sea and land and located on the silver beach of the Bay of Bengal.

Started in 1964, this college has been fulfilling the dream of college higher education to the rural poor students. The motto of this college is as follows:

“LEARNING IS WEALTH NONE COULD DESTROY
NOTHING ELSE GIVES GENUINE JOY”

In accordance with this Thirukural, our college serves as a platform for learning even for the poorest of the poor. The college is full of excellent teachers who are highly qualified and dedicated imparting good education to the students’ community. I hope this annual report will bridge the gap between pre- pandemic and post- pandemic period, revealing all the events of the college to the world.

I am further happy to present the biennial annual report for 2020- 2021 and 2021-2022. Despite the closure of educational institutions due to covid19, learning and teaching have continued to take place online in our college. In the academic year 2020-2021, about 9422 students had applied online for admission to this college. 1573 (UG) & 390 (PG) students were admitted in the college with 20 departments in the academic year 2020-21. In the academic year 2021-22 1662 (UG) & 456 (PG) students were enrolled in 20 departments and 8 students have registered for Ph.D. The classes for first year students for the academic year 2021-22 commenced on 04.10.2021.

At the beginning of 2020, due to the impact of the Corona, the central and state governments imposed a complete curfew, and online classes were conducted in our college. Students wrote their exams in online mode. The pass percentage of students in both these academic years is given below

Academic year 2020-2021

Course	Pass Percentage
B.Sc BOTANY	97.83
M.Sc BOTANY	100.00
B.Sc. Chemistry	100.00
B.Sc. Industrial Chemistry	100.00
M.Sc. Chemistry	100.00
B.COM	100.00
M.COM	100.00
B.C.A	100.00
B.Sc. Comp. Science	100.00
M.Sc. Comp. Science	100.00
B.A.ECONOMICS	97.16
M.A.ECONOMICS	100.00
BA ENGLISH	98.80
MA ENGLISH	100.00
BA HISTORY	45.07
MA HISTORY	100.00
B.Sc (Mathematics)	100.00
M.Sc (Mathematics)	100.00
B.Sc., Microbiology	100.00
PHYSICS	100.00
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B.A POLITICAL SCIENCE	100.00
M.A POLITICAL SCIENCE	100.00
B.A PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	98.51
Social Work	100.00
B.SC STATISTICS	100.00
M.Sc STATISTICS	100.00
B.A., TAMIL	100.00
M.A., TAMIL	100.00
B.Sc. Visual Communication	100.00
B.Sc ZOOLOGY	100.00
M.Sc ZOOLOGY	100.00

Academic 2021-2022

Course Name	Pass Percentage
B.SC BOTANY	100.00
M.SC BOTANY	66.67
BBA	12.50
B.Sc.CHEMISTRY	44.07
B.Sc.INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY	52.94
M.Sc. Chemistry	96.30
B.C.A	58.54
B. Sc. Computer Science	61.64
M. Sc. Computer Science	50.00
B.A ECONOMICS	70.25
M.A ECONOMICS	40.00
BA ENGLISH	22.22
MA ENGLISH	83.33
M.A. HISTORY	86.67
B.A. HISTORY	69.66
B.Sc Maths	25.00
M.Sc Maths	87.10
B.Sc., Microbiology	87.76
B.Sc Physics	90.00
M.Sc Physics	81.25
B.Sc PSYCHOLOGY	11.63
B.A POLITICAL SCIENCE	100.00
M.A POLITICAL SCIENCE	9.52
B.A PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	85.53
M.A PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	23.08
MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK	56.25
BSC STATISTICS	21.74
MSC STATISTICS	61.54
B.A TAMIL	96.30
M.A TAMIL	100.00
B.Sc.Visual Communication	73.08
B.Sc ZOOLOGY	90.74
M.Sc ZOOLOGY	70.00
B.COM	68.85
M.COM	96.43

Our Faculty members have participated and coordinated several virtual conferences and workshops.

Accordingly, faculty members have presented their research papers in more than 150 seminars and conferences. The number of faculty members who attended refresher courses is furnished department-wise. Chemistry 4, Zoology 5, Mathematics 4, Botany 3, Tamil 10, English 4, Computer Science 4, Physics 5, Business History 4, Economics 3. They have improved their teaching skills through the Faculty Development Programme. A total of 14 high-standard articles have been published in the journals by the research departments.

Awards

In the academic year 2020-2021, Dr. J.Raja, Professor of Tamil Department, received Tamilnadu Government's **Tamil Chemmal Award** with Rs. 25,000/cash award from the golden hands of the Chief Minister. Also, the following Tamil department professors have received various awards in the academic year 2021-2022.

Dr. B. Geetha and Dr. D. Veni, Dr. K. Kavitha received **Natramil Aasan Award**. Dr. B. Geetha received **Academic Semmal Award**. Dr. V. Panneerselvam, Dr. C. Premakumari, Dr. D. Veni, Dr. J. Purani, Dr. K. Dr. Kavitha received the **Bhavendra Panichelvar Award**. Dr. A. Arunachalam and Dr. Murugan have brought honor to our college by receiving the special award for academic work.

Dr. Shanmukha Sundaram, Professor of Business Administration, received **Jury Panelist Award**, Adarsh Vidya Saraswathi Rashtriya Puraskar Award and Best Teacher Award-2020.

NAAC

The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) inspected our college and gave 'C' grade in 2004 and 'B grade' in 2015. At present, our college is working with the aim of getting 'A grade' and autonomy.

Library

Our college library activities have been satisfactory. During this academic year, 1038 new books have been purchased for various departments. The library functions in the computerized system. Students are making good use of the library.

Books have been purchased in two installments of Rs.2,00,000/- and Rs.80,000/- for the purchase of books for the general library and all the departmental library.

College Departmental Programs

In the academic year 2021-22, many seminars and Dept Associations functions have been conducted in our college on the following dates.

Date	Events
11.05.2022	The sports Day festival of the college was held successfully. Prizes and certificates were given to the students who won in various competitions. Sports Annual Report was presented by the physical director.
10.05.2022	On behalf of History Department, 165 th anniversary of The Sepoy Mutiny of 1857 was held at our college.
09.05.2022	On behalf of the differently abled welfare unit of our college, the differently abled day ceremony was conducted and several education welfare schemes were implemented.
7.05.2022	On behalf of the Tamil department, Former Union Minister for Law Mr. K.Venkatapati participated in the Muthamil Vizhaa and gave a special speech

	on the topic 'Everything is possible through Tamil Language'.
06.05.2022	English Department, in collaboration with Human Rights Commission of Tamilnadu & Pondicherry regions, conducted Human Rights Awareness Programme for the benefit of students-community.
05 & 06 / 05/ 2022	Fourteen professors belonging to various departments from our college participated in the training programme conducted by Tamilnadu Government Higher Education Council.
05.05.2022	On behalf of computer science department, a seminar on Machine Learning was conducted.
04.05.2022	MSW Students participated in the awareness campaign against child marriage launched by District Collector, Cuddalore and distributed awareness pamphlets.
27.04.2022 to 1.05.2022	Department of MSW, in collaboration Tata Chemicals and Mahalakshmi Polytechnic College, conducted five days camp in the rural village of Semmankuppam panchayat.
28.4.2022	The third year students of Tamil Department, visited Cuddalore Dinathanthi office to learn about news report and newspaper making.
22.04.2022	A Special English lecture was held on behalf of the Department of English and Internal Quality Assurance Cell.
20.04.2022	On behalf of the Department of Microbiology, One Day Seminar on Biofertilizers Production was held.
23.04.2022	World Books Day was celebrated in College Library.
20.4.2022	On behalf of the Department of Physics, the Shadow less Day Astronomy Event was conducted with special lectures and its importance was highlighted to the students.
19.04.2022	The Department of Tamil along with Tamil Development Department of Tamilnadu Government conducted an elocution competition for the celebration of Dr. Ambedkar Birthday. Ms. Divya II BA Tamil student a cash prize of Rs.5000
26.04.2022	Chemistry department students went to Annamali University Marie Science Research Center for field work project.
13.04.2022	On behalf of Political science department, a conference on <i>Indian Constitution- a weapon for Justice</i> was conducted in the honour of Dr.Ambedkar's 133th Birthday celebration.
20.04.2022	3rd year students participated and benefited in a special placement camp organized by placement officer of the college through LAKSH SOURCE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS PVT LTD.
12.04.2022	On behalf of the Department of Economics, the inaugural function of the Economic Forum was held in which a special lecture was held on the Tamil Nadu Budget for the year 2022-2023.
06.04.2022	A one-day seminar titled GLIMPSES OF COASTAL MEDICINAL PLANTS (GCMP-2022) was held in the college campus on behalf of the Department of Botany.
08.04.2022 & 09.04.2022	On behalf of Department of Mathematics, a two-day webinar titled STATISTICS ANALYSIS USING R AND SPSS (SARS-2022) was held.

05.04.2022	An awareness camp was organized by our college National Service Scheme and Cuddalore Municipal Corporation to create awareness on elimination of plastic.
02.04.2022	The Alumni Association Meeting of our college was held in a grand manner and there were cultural performances and discussions among the alumni. Many alumni like former Member of Parliament PRS Venkatesan and Ex.MLA Phugazhendi, Cuddalore Corporation Deputy Mayor Thamaraiselvan participated in the event.
01.04.2022	Inaugural ceremony of rural arts training programme was conducted by the social work department of our college. In the three-day training course, the students were given training in rural arts such as Voyilattam, Kolattam, Karagattam and Veethi Naadagam.
30.03.2022	A workshop on software development was held in Anna Centenary Hall jointly by Computer Tamil Council of our college and Chennai Tamil Internet Education Association.
1.04.2022	A special meeting for professors was held in the college under the head of the principal and the teachers shared many necessary ideas for the development of the college.
30.03.2022	In order to prevent the crime against women, special awareness programme was conducted by the police to create awareness among the students.
29.03.2022	On behalf of our college Young Red Cross Society and Cuddalore District Head government hospital conducted blood donation camp in our college; more than 50 students donated blood and were issued blood donation certificates.
28.03.2022	An awareness seminar on <i>the dangers of non-prescription drug use</i> was organized jointly by the Department of Social Work and Mahatma Gandhi Medical College, Puducherry and Research Institute.
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21.03.2022	World Forest Day was celebrated jointly by the Forest Department and Zoology Department of our college. In this event, a new organization called Student Green Force has been formed in our college. Social activist Sella participated in the function and explained about snakes and the development of sparrows and its importance.
08.03.2022	Women's day celebration was held on behalf of Tamil Department. Kavignar Kanimozhi, Registrar, Cuddalore, was the special guest in the function and delivered a special speech.
22.02.2021	World Mother Language Day was celebrated. G.Krishnamurthy, Puducherry School Education Security Operations Secretary, was the special guest and delivered a special lecture.
22.02.2021	Tamil grandfather U. V. Saminathayar's birthday was celebrated. A portrait of U. V. Saminathayar was placed at the front of the college and the principal paid floral tributes.
05.10.2021	A refresher course on sports was held for first year economics students.

06.10.2021	A refresher course was conducted for first year economics students on the topic Historical References for General Knowledge.
07.10.2021	Innovative training on consumer awareness was conducted for first year economics students.
11.10.2021	A refresher course on NCC was conducted for first year economics students.
31.02.2021	On behalf of the Department of Economics, a national seminar on Electrification Store's Problems and Solutions was held, in which Dr. Manoj Kumar Mishra of British American University gave the special lecture.
12.04.2021	Economics Department Association's special Meeting was held with special lecture by Annamalai University Professor DR. G. RAVI on Tamil Nadu Budget.
08.04.2022	Saplings were planted in the college campus by the second shift students of the Department of Economics.
16.02.2022	An agreement (Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was made between Department of Economics and Pinnalur, Veera Narayanan Farmers Development. Through this MoU, the field studies were held for one week.

National Service Scheme

The college has four units of National Service Scheme. The students of NSS carried out the clean-up work in collaboration with the Cuddalore Municipal Corporation to remove plastic waste from Cuddalore Silver Beach. Also, NSS Camp was held in Eidhanoor and Sundarabandi villages and social works were done.

Consumer Forum

Citizens Consumer Forum is working well in our college. K. Udayakumar, District Supply and Consumer Protection Officer, Cuddalore, conducted a one-day seminar on consumer awareness.

Disabled Welfare Unit

Disabled Welfare Unit is functioning in our college for the educational development of disabled students. Through this unit, guidance and alternative skills were provided to the students. Accordingly, on 09.05.2020, Disabled Welfare Unit celebrated Disability day with distribution of educational aids. Dr. J. Rajamurthy, Director of Government Welfare Corporation gave the special guest address in the function.

Green Student Corps

A movement called GREEN CADET CORPS has been started in the academic year 2021-2022 with the aim of making the college campus green by planting various types of trees. In this, students will have an important role.

National Cadet Corps

The National Cadet Corps (NCC), considered the second arm of the Indian Army, is the most uniformed force in the world. Naval Squadron of National Cadet Corps was started in the year 1977 at Periyar Arts College, Cuddalore. After some gap in 2019, 5 Tamil Nadu National Cadet Corps, the sixth division of Naval Squadron, was launched again at Periyar Arts College, Cuddalore.

Troops of 50 students are undergoing training in uniform in our college affiliated to 5 Tamil Nadu Naval Division National Cadet Corps. Sub. Lt. Dr. Ira. Manokaran is working as a joint officer. This training helps our students to work more in the armed forces.

In our college, which is the naval unit of the National Cadet Corps, 2nd year anniversary training camps have been conducted since 2019. 50 students have been trained in our college and in 2019, a student of Tamil Department, Sr. Captain Santosh Kumar participated in the Republic Day event held in New Delhi. Ajith Kumar of III B.Com participated in Boat Pulling Ricardo Camp held in Chennai and won a gold medal.

Cadet Captain Vanaroja, a BCom third year student of our college, was trained in the Advanced Leadership Camp called ALC held at Coimbatore. Dinesh Kumar, a second year undergraduate student of Political Science, participated in the PLC camp known as Youth Leadership Camp. Last year, due to the Corona, the main camps of the National Cadet Corps camps were cancelled. The excellent performance of our college students in all the camps has resulted in our college getting the 1st position in Pondicherry Group of 5 Tamil Nadu National Cadet Force Naval Divisions to which our college is affiliated. Our college students took sailing training. They sailed from Pudukkottai to Karaikal in the sea and returned. The event was flagged off by the Deputy Governor of Pondicherry, Honourable, Tamilisai Soundararajan. A model of a warship (ship modelling) designed by our college students was awarded on this occasion.

Buildings reconstruction

Our College buildings have been renovated through the Public Works department with a fund of one crore rupees from the Tamil Nadu government. Rs.1,36,00,000 is being provided by the Tamil Nadu government in this academic year to build two buildings with 32 classrooms. Also 354 chairs have been purchased by the higher education department fund at the cost of 10 lakhs. The construction work for the building with six classrooms is in progress at a cost of 60 lakhs from RUSA Fund. Rs.1 Crore from the NLC CSR fund for the construction of the auditorium has been allotted and approval has been obtained from the district collector. Lawns are being laid in front of the college to give it a beautiful look. Aquaculture and pond renovation work is in progress under the supervision of Zoology Department.

Education Scholarship

The Government of Tamil Nadu has provided scholarship funds for the students studying in this college for the two academic years 2020-21 and 2021-22.

For the students of Backward Class and Most Backward Class Rs.41,30,223/- were given to 1644 students in the academic year 2020-21 and Rs.52,78,599/- were given to 1748 students in the academic year 2021-22.

In the academic year 2020-21, Schedule Caste Scholarship Rs. 1,19,73,038/- were given to 2205 students and Rs. 1,34,43,746/- were given to 2439 students in the academic year 2021-22.

Incentives are given every year to students who are studying Tamil medium in the college. Rs.10,72,800/- rupees have been given to 1192 students in the academic year 2020-21 and Rs.11,53,800/- were given to 1282 students in the academic year 2021-22.

In the academic year 2021-22, 59 students have received National Merit Scholarship. 10 differently-abled students have received educational Scholarship from the central government. In the academic year 2020-21, 34 students have received National Merit Scholarship. 3 differently-abled students have received educational Scholarship from the central government.

In the academic year 2021-22, the fund given by the Government of Tamil Nadu Rs.9,50,000/ has been distributed to all the Science Departments for the purpose of maintenance of laboratory equipment and machinery. Through this, science departments have purchased laboratory equipments and chemicals required for their departments.

For the academic year 2020-21, the fund given by the Government of Tamil Nadu Rs.1,75,000/, has been allocated to the science Departments for purchase of laboratory equipment and machinery & maintenance work.

CCTV cameras are installed in the college for administrative development. During this academic year, the process of National Disaster Management was implemented.

Board of Studies Members / Curriculum Design Committee

Professors belonging to our college have played an important role in the board of studies, especially Dr. V. Panneer Selvam, Assistant Professor of Tamil, has worked as the head of the board of studies for the general Tamil for UG subjects of Tiruvalluvar University.

Dr. Vannamuthu as the Head of board of studies for UG Chemistry of Thiruvalluvar University and Dr. Kalaimani as the Member Board of Studies have worked well. In the Department of Physics, Dr. Tilak Kumar is working as the Head of board of studies UG Physics. Likewise, Dr. Abrama Sundari is working as a member of board of studies in the UG Economics. Dr. Sarmila , Department of Chemistry is working as a board of studies Chair of Seethalakshmi Ramasamy College.

Dr. Kannan, from the Department of Zoology, has worked as head of board of studies in autonomous colleges like St. Joseph's College, Cuddalore and Bharathidasan Arts College, Puducherry.

An article titled "The Stars of Tomorrow" about the excellent work done by the students of the social work department of our college in the field work, has been published in the magazine. For the Students of MSW, folk art training was given.

Arupadaiveedu Medical College, in collaboration with the social work department of our college, conducted a special medical camp. The Department of Social work has done a great job in the *Let us Teach and Learn Scheme* (Karppom Karpippom) for girls.

Our College's Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) is functioning well. This cell is implementing various programs to motivate students. Especially CYBER SAFETY, WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM KALAM, ARCHERY TRAINING CAMP, SCOPE IN SPORTS, HEALTH AND FITNESS, ETHICAL CHARACTERISTICS, CONSUMER AWARENESS, COMMUNICATION SKILLS, CAREER GUIDANCE, NCC INTRO CLASS, YRC, SCHOLARSHIP- AN INSIGHT events are performed by IQAC.

On this auspicious occasion, I would like to express my hearty gratitude to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of the Tamil Nadu, the Minister of Higher Education and the Secretary of the Higher Education Department, who are contributing greatly to the success of Periyar Arts College, Cuddalore.

Also, I would like to express my gratitude to the Director of Collegiate Education who is giving special care to the activities of this college and providing excellent cooperation.

I convey my gratitude to the people of Devanampattinam and Police officers of Devanampattinam's police station for their cooperation, the auto drivers who provide the transportation for college students, the sweepers of Cuddalore Municipal Corporation and sweepers of the college who maintain the cleanliness of the college, and the office staff who carry out the official work.

If the teachers are the face of this college, then the students are the address of this college. Educational development means student development... We will continue to travel on a continuous journey of educational philanthropy with the aim of student development and social welfare development. Let me conclude by saying 'Let's make the world pure.'

Thank you and good bye.