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IQAC of University of Kerala is engaged in documenting various facilities and systems of the University that helps the stake holders of the University to understand different facets of the University system in contrast to local & global peers. This documentation related to the 2-tier induction programme organized in the University schools and departments in 2017.

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Two-tier Induction Programme for 2017-18 Admissions

University of Kerala

Aim: To prepare the students to become effective learners by raising their understanding of the University system and influencing them to set their learning strategies to suit higher education.

Objectives:

1. To create awareness about the University's administrative and academic structure.
2. To embed the Graduate Attributes Definition of the University of Kerala in students (through group pledge, after screening video)
3. To give an overview about all Depts. of the Schools in which the student belongs (through introducing all faculty of all Depts and by visiting all Depts. of the school).
4. To encourage students to adopt learning strategies suited for higher education (critical and creative thinking, utilizing web resources, research aptitude etc.)
5. To give clear understanding of Credit and Semester System and the new PG Regulations.
6. To give awareness about schemes of student welfare and co-curricular opportunities.
7. To help student settle down in the new environment smoothly.

IQAC shall be distributing the following material to all Depts. :

1. Files and Note pads for each student.
2. *Academic Hand-book cum Brochure* for each student & each faculty. This contains University Documentation, CSS PG Regulations, 'Learning to Learn' Articles, Details of Learning Resources, details of NSS, Physical Education, Youth Festival, Student Welfare schemes, Anti-ragging information etc.
3. CD containing *Graduate Attribute Video* and UGC Videos on anti-ragging, learning to learn videos etc, PPT on the University.
4. SHAKTHI booklet for all women students
5. Annual Student Survey Questionnaire

Proposed Induction Programme Plan

Note: Please also take extra care to keep time & follow green charter, as that itself will be a powerful message.

School Level:

9.30 AM: **Self-Introduction** (School Director and Faculty members of all Depts may briefly introduce themselves and students may also do the same very briefly.)

10.30: **Screening of Graduate Attributes Video & Pledge.** (School Director may read out the pledge).

10.40 AM: **Inauguration:** Speech by an eminent scholar/professional on a general aspect that will be of interest of all schools. (Too specialized talks may be avoided). The speech could also be on a motivational theme. HoDs may also address students briefly. Representatives of students of the school may also address students in addition to others decided by the School/Dept

12.00 **Conduct of Annual Student Survey:** Questionnaires will be supplied. Please motivate students to fill in with due seriousness.

12.30 **Screening of Power point on University** (To be supplied by IQAC, May be modified as required)

2 PM Onwards: **Visit to constituent Departments:** All new students of the school, may be taken around Labs/special facilities etc.

Dept. Level:

Dept level programme should be minimum of one full day or may be extended to a whole week if the department desires. Two days is recommended. Ideally, the department level induction may be held immediately after the school level induction.

Opening Session: A brief inaugural session may be arranged. Either an eminent guest or HoD may inaugurate. All teachers may briefly address. Technical Staffs, Librarian, PDFs, Research Scholars, etc. may also briefly introduce themselves and welcome students.

Ice-breaking Session of New Students: Students may be paired and then asked to introduce each other.

Motivational/ Subject Talks: By invited Scholars/ Professionals/VIPs (Learning Strategies, Research & Innovation, Soft Skills, Informatics Skills, Critical Thinking, Creative Thinking, Academic Writing etc can all be considered for motivational talks).

Other Suggestion: Visit to Dept. Library, Campus Library, University Library, Campus Tour, Cultural Performance by Students.

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Part A- School Level Induction Report

School of Business Management & Legal Studies

School of Communication & Library Science

School of Distance Education

School of Earth System & Science

School of English & Foreign Languages

School of Indian Languages

School of Life Sciences

School of Physical & Mathematical Science

School of Social Sciences

School of Technology

A1. School of Business Management & Legal Studies

The induction programme for the P.G Students at the school level was held on October 5, 2017. The programme began with Dr. G. Simon Thattil welcoming the gathering. Dr. C. Ganesh, the director provided a brief overview to the students about the departments comprised in the school and introduced to them all the faculty members. This was followed by the HoDs of the three departments addressing the students. The students were next treated to a session on Career Planning and Skill Development. The session was handled by an accomplished trainer Mr. Senthil Kumar. He was ably supported by Dr. Simon Thattil. While Mr. Senthil Kumar highlighted the importance of team building and interpersonal relationship, Dr. Simon chose to focus on the importance of self-management. The post lunch session was engaged by Dr. Jayashankar Prasad, Director, International Centre for Free and Open Source Software (ICFOSS). He gave a broad overview of the nature of jobs that will be available in the future and cautioned the students that most of the jobs found today will cease to exist with machines and AI taking over.



A2. School of Communication & Library Science

On 30TH August 2017 the Induction programme for P.G students was organized by the School of Communication & Library Science at the M.L.I.Sc. Lecture hall of the Dept. of Library and Information Science, University of Kerala. The programme started at 10.30 a.m. The audience consisted of faculty members of Dept. of Library and Information Science and Dept. of Communication & Journalism and 27 P.G students.

After the invocation Dr. B. Mini Devi, Head, Department of Library and Information Science welcomed the gathering. In the welcome speech she mentioned that the importance of induction programme and the traditional background of our university. This was followed by self-introduction of faculty members and students of both the departments. The Graduate Attributes Video & Pledge, motivational videos, Power point on University was screened.

Dr. Harikumar M.S., Head, Dept. of Communication & Journalism proposed vote of thanks. After lunch the programme came to an end at 2.0 p.m.





A3. School of Earth System & Science

The School level induction programme, organized by the School of Earth System Sciences, for the newly admitted M.Sc. students of the Department of Geology and Department of Environmental Sciences was conducted in the Seminar Hall of the Department of Environmental Sciences, Kariavattom Campus on 30th August 2017. The event was organized mainly to create a basic awareness about the University and its policies and programmes to the newcomers. After registration each fresher was supplied with a kit containing Academic Hand Book, writing pad & pen and Annual Student Survey Sheet in addition each girl student of the group was provided with a copy of the book, Shakti-Laws to Ensure Gender Justice.

The programme started with a prayer song. In his welcome address Dr. Sabu Joseph, Head, Department of Environmental Sciences gave a brief idea about the intentions behind organizing the programme. He introduced the Chief Guest, other speakers and welcomed all to the function. The freshers were welcomed by the senior students with flowers.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. S. N Kumar, Director, School of Earth System Sciences. In his presidential address Dr. Kumar, explained the difference in the academic style of a University and that of a college. He reminded the students that they are a privileged lot as only a few in a lakh in India get the chance for University education. He emphasized the importance of using the excellent libraries and laboratories of the University, which are accessible, at any time, to the students. He described the activities of various centres and cells which work for the welfare of the students.

The freshers took the graduate attribute pledge from Dr S N Kumar. The chief guest of the function was Dr. N. Purnachandra Rao, Director of NCESS, a world renowned Geophysicist. He mentioned the outstanding performance of our country in various sectors especially in the fields of nuclear energy, space science, meteorology etc. Dr. Rao exhorted the students to pursue research in an earnest manner and build a career in research and serve the country. He narrated his own determination as a young post graduate to continue with research, when many of his friends went after lucrative jobs. The Chief Guest gave an idea about the scientific policies pursued by the Government of India to make the benefits of research available to the common man. Dr. Rao invited the students to his organization for doing research and for utilizing the advanced facilities there. The youngsters were very much impressed and motivated by his humility, sincerity and encouraging words.

Each faculty member of the constituent departments made self-introduction. Newly admitted students also introduced themselves. The chief guest was given mementos by Dr. Sabu Joseph and Dr. R. B. Binoj Kumar. After tea break the films on Graduate Attributes, Communication skills, Anti-ragging and motivation were screened. Dr. R. B. Binoj Kumar, Head, Department of Geology, thanked everyone for their immense cooperation.

The meeting came to an end by 12:30 pm.



Invocation



Welcoming the new comers by offering flowers



Dr. Sabu Joseph, Head, Dept. of Env. Sci.
welcoming the new comers



A view of the auditorium



Dr. S. N Kumar, Director, School of Earth
System Sciences, University of Kerala,
delivering the presidential address.



Dr. Purna Chandra Rao, Director, National
Centre for Earth Science Studies,
addressing the gathering.



Dr. R. B. Binoj Kumar, Head, Department of Geology presenting a memento to the chief guest



Dr. Jaya, Assoc. Prof., Dept. of Environmental Sciences introducing herself



New comers introducing themselves



Dr. R. B Binoj Kumar, Head, Dept. of Geology delivering the vote of thanks

A4. School of Indian Languages

ഭാരതീയ ഭാഷാ സ്കൂളിന്റെ (സ്കൂൾ ഓഫ് ഇന്ത്യൻ ലാംഗ്വേജസ്) പ്രവേശനപരിപാടി 30/08/2017 നു മലയാളവിഭാഗം സെമിനാർ ഹാളിൽ നടന്നു. ഗ്രാജുവേറ്റ് ആഭിബ്യൂട്ട് സി ഡി പ്രദർശിപ്പിച്ചു. സ്കൂളിനെക്കുറിച്ച് ഡയറക്ടറും സിഎസ് എസ് പ്രോഗ്രാമിനെക്കുറിച്ച് രജിസ്ട്രാറും വിശദീകരിച്ചു. ഓരോ വിഭാഗത്തെക്കുറിച്ചുള്ള വിവരണം അതാതുവിഭാഗം അദ്ധ്യക്ഷത വഹിക്കുന്ന അദ്ധ്യാപകർ നൽകി.



A5. The School of Physical & Mathematical Sciences

Date: 30/08/2017 **Place:** Physics Auditorium, Dept. of Physics **Time:** 09.30 am
Departments: Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Statistics and Demography.

Agenda

1. To welcome first year P.G. students and introduce the proud history of all the five departments
2. Introducing faculties of each department to the students
3. To make familiarise the "Credit and Semester System" adopted by University of Kerala

Report

The meeting was conducted under the chairmanship of Dr. T. S. Anirudhan, Director of the School of Physical and Mathematical Sciences. The meeting started with registration of First Year P.G. students (2017-2019 batch) at 09. 25 am. A total of 11, 16, 7, 11 and 7 students from chemistry, physics, mathematics, statistics and demography departments registered, respectively by entering their name, address with email id and signature.

1. The official meeting started with the welcome speech by Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair, Professor and Head, Department of Demography.
2. It was followed by the inauguration by Dr. N. Purnachandra Rao, Director, National Centre for Earth Science Studies (NCESS), Trivandrum by lighting the lamp followed by his inaugural address. The inaugural address mainly focused in motivating the young students to pursue their career in research in basic sciences in which he quoted the achievements made by India in the field of science and technology. The chief guest was then honoured with a memento by Dr. Suresh Singh, Professor and Head, Department of Mathematics, University of Kerala. It was then followed by a tea break of ten minutes.
3. The Director of 'The School of Physical and Mathematical Sciences'- Dr. T. S. Anirudhan, then presented a brief overview about the 'Credit and Semester System (CSS)' to the audience in his presidential address. In the speech, the speaker introduced comparison between yearly and semester system, the minimum and maximum credits required for the successful completion of P.G. programme, various cells operating within the university, procedure adopted for the approval of syllabus for P.G. courses, importance of academic calendar and timely completion of the course, the conduct of examination and evaluation, etc.
4. It was then followed by the self-introduction of heads of the participating departments, followed by faculties and one senior research scholar from each department.
5. First year students were then called upon to introduce themselves before the audience.
6. Following the self-introduction, all students were asked to take pledge (Graduate Attribute) where, they were made familiar to the duties and responsibilities as students of University of Kerala.
7. It was then followed by the screening of an inspirational talk of Dr. A. P. J. AbdulKalam, Former President of India along with UGC videos including anti-ragging, learning to learn videos, PPT on the University.
8. To understand the student population annual students survey was conducted through questionnaires supplied by IQAC.
9. It was followed by the supply of SHAKTHI booklets to all women students.
10. The formal meeting ended with a brief note by Dr. K. S. Sibi, Assistant Professor from the Department of Physics followed by national anthem.



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Part B- Dept. Level Induction Programme Report

Departments	
Aquatic Biology& Fisheries	Islamic Studies
Arabic	Law
Archaeology	Library & Info. Sc.
Biochemistry	Linguistics
Biotechnology	Malayalam
Botany	Management (IMK)
Chemistry	Mathematics
Commerce	Music
Communication & Journalism	Nano science &Tech.
Comp.Bio. & Bioinformatics	Optoelectronics
Computer Science	ORI and Manuscript Library
Demography	Philosophy
Economics	Physics
Education	Political Science
English	Psychology
Environmental Science	Russian
Futures Studies	Sanskrit
Geology	Sociology
German	Statistics
Hindi	Tamil
History	Zoology

B1. Dept. of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries

Admissions to first year MSc Programme 2017 in Aquatic Biology and Fisheries were completed by 29th August 2017 and all vacancies were filled by candidates belong to respective reservation categories except for scheduled tribe (ST) category and the seat was filled on 18th Sept. 2017 during spot admission for other reserved categories. Classes were began on 30th August with an introduction and orientation to students by Head of the department as well as the Course coordinator.

School Level Induction programme was organized by the School of Life Sciences in the conference hall of of Botany Department on 15 Sept. 2017. All departmental activities of respective department coming under the school, presented their department profile and details about elective courses to the newly admitted students and also informed about the extra departmental elective courses offered by each department. Prof. Matt Vijayan inaugurated the programme and delivered/presented a scientific talk and the programme has come to an end by 1.00 PM.

Department level induction programme was also organized on the same day (15 Sept. 2017) after noon by 2.00 PM. The honour of guest was Dr. G. Gopakumar, ARS, Emeritus Scientist, CMFRI, Vizhinjam. Head of the Department Dr. A. Bijukumar welcomed the gathering and delivered a detailed profile of the department to the new comers. Chief guest addressed the fresher's with the scope, relevance and importance of the subject with special emphasis on future needs human resource on the field. Apart from this chief guest emphasized the present direction and status of research in Aquaculture field in la lucid style. Course coordinator Dr. Kurian M. Abraham, Dr. Pramod Kiran, Dr K. Sobhanakumar and Dr. Mithun S. wished the new MSc students a prosperous career and best of luck for their new endeavor. Senior MSc students also offered a heartfelt welcome to the fresher's by offering them a tea party and variety entertainment/cultural programmes. The programme was come to an end by 4.30PM.



Dr. Biju Kumar, H.O.D, Welcome Speech

Face to face with Senior Professor & Researchers

In addition to the formal induction programme, another short programme was organized on 28th Sept. 2017 and the chief guest was Dr. P. Natarajan, Emeritus Professor and Director of Environmental Sciences Department, Awaza University, South Africa. Prof. A. Bijukumar, HoD, offered welcome to the chief guest and introduced the resource person to students. Prof. Natarajan detailed the importance of research and hard work throughout their curriculum. The programme was concluded by offering thanks to guest by Dr. Kurian, Course coordinator. All the research scholars of the Department made powerpoint presentation on the topic of their research and the recent trends in their research field. Further, they shared their fascination for research.

Field Visit

The students were also taken for a one day field visit to Neyyar Dam Hatchery complex on 23rd Sept. 2017, where they were given practical training on fish brood stock management, hypophysation, identification of fish seeds and seed packaging/transportation. The ornamental fish farm owned by FIRMA and the freshwater aquarium was also visited by the students and Dr. Kurian escorted the team.



Dr. Gopakumar, CMFRI -Inauguration



Dr. Kurian Mathew -Motivational Speech



Dr. Pramod Kiran-Motivational Speech



Dr. Sobhanakumar-Motivational Speech



Prof. P. Natarajan addressing the Students



B2. Dept. of Arabic

Department level induction programme was held Seminar Hall of the Department of Arabic on 07/09/2016. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. A. Nizarudeen, Former Head of the Department and he urged the students to utilize the opportunities that they may get to interact with Arabic Speaking People. He further insisted on the usage of modern technologies in learning the language.

Mr. Muhammad Bava, Managing Director, Kerala Siyaha Holidays Pvt. delivered keynote address on Scope of Arabic Language Learning. He introduced number of employment opportunities in and around the country for Arabic Language Experts. It was a new experience for the students that a person from the industry interacts with them.

Dr. Thajudeen A.S., Head of the Department, gave a brief introduction regarding CSS rules and regulations, Credit and Semester System, End & Mid Semester Exams and Internal Marks.

Second Phase Induction Programme (DEPARTMENT LEVEL)

Date: 07/09/2016 @ 10.30 am

Venue: Seminar Hall, Department of Arabic

Welcome Address	: Mr. Noushad V.
Presidential Address	: Dr. Thajudeen A.S. (Head of the Department)
Inauguration	: Dr. A. Nizarudeen (Former HOD, Dept. of Arabic)
Keynote Speech	: Muhammed Bava (Managing Director, Kerala Siyaha Holidays)

Topic: Scope of Arabic Language Learning

Felicitation Address	: Dr. Suhail. E. : Dr. Mohammed Shafi K.P.
Vote of Thanks	: Semeer M.

B3. Dept. of Bio Chemistry

The newly admitted Postgraduate students of Biochemistry (2016-18) were welcomed to the Department with the Department Level Induction Programme held on 26th August, 2016 at the Department Auditorium. The students participated in the meeting along with their parents to understand the basic working of the Department and the University of Kerala. Dr. Arun A. Rauf, Assistant Professor, welcomed them to the meeting and highlighted the significance of the induction programme in mainstreaming the students to the credit and semester system followed at the Kariavattom University Campus. Dr. Annie Abraham, HOD further addressed the gathering and emphasized the role of parents in supporting their wards in their endeavours. She implored the parents to be actively involved in the studies of their wards and enlightened the students on future prospects of the course.

A power point presentation on the salient features of the University of Kerala given by IQAC and the major academic/research achievements of the Department of Biochemistry was presented by the HOD. The Faculty introduced themselves and was followed by the self-introduction of the students. One of the parents expressed his concern over the availability of placement for the students after they pass out from the course. His concerns were addressed by the HOD and the faculty. The meeting ended with the Vote of Thanks proposed by Dr. S. Mini, Associate Professor. Tea and snacks were served. Parents and students were taken around the Department to see the facilities available to students. The parents also interacted with the faculty and discussed on the course details. The meeting concluded by 1:00 pm.

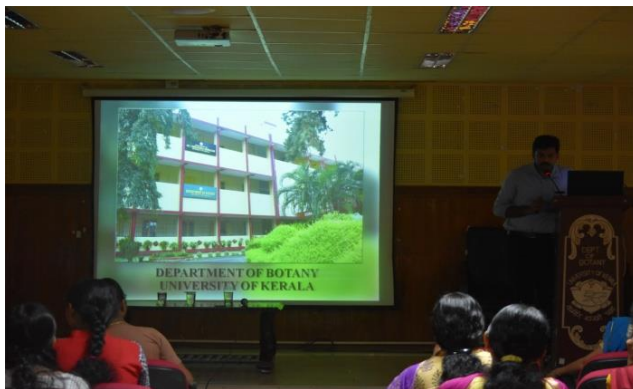


B4. Dept. of Botany

The programme was organized by the Department at the Botany Seminar hall. All the teachers, non-teaching staff and students (M. Sc., M.Phil, PG Diploma and research scholars) were invited to participate in the programme. The programme was initiated with an invocation by the second year M. Sc. student, Ms. Anjana. The Associate Professor and Head of the Department, Dr. Suhara Beevy S., welcomed the gathering as well as the chief guest Dr. N. Omanakumari, former Head of the Department and Dr. Shirly Raichal Anil, former student of the Department, presently working as Senior Scientist, ICAR-CTCRI, Thiruvananthapuram. Madam briefed about the rules and regulations of the PG course and the necessity of conducting the induction programme. Dr. N. Omanakumari was gracious enough to deliver the keynote address in the function. Madam spoke about her inception to the Department as a young student and later as a teacher. She tried to reminisce interesting anecdotes during her stay here and talked to the students about how she had managed to come up to this level eventhough she was from a very remote village in the middle part of Kerala. She invigorated the students with her patient advice and good words. She talked about the 5 D principle which her guru advised would bring happiness in life such as- desire, diligence, determination and dedication. Dr. Radhamany, syndicate member and former Head of the Department spoke kind words to the youngsters. She advised that hard work and determination could bring good to the students. Madam wished the students good luck for all their future endeavors. Dr. Shirly Raichal Anil spoke from her heart. Madam made a PowerPoint presentation about the opportunities the students could get if they attempted the ICAR-ARS examination. She discussed in length about the syllabus, the scientist posts available and pattern of examination of ARS. She shared her experiences about how she got through the exams and got her posting as a scientist at the ICAR-CTCRI institute. Above all she was conscious about the impact of the great God Almighty and advised the students to continue to pray and seek the divine.

The research scholars teamed up to present the research ventures in the Department of Botany. Though the PowerPoint presentation was delivered by Mr. Rakesh, representative members from each research lab took the responsibility of providing the data and some others compiled the whole. They introduced the teachers and their research labs, research facilities available in each lab and the Department as a whole. They also displayed the research institutes and career opportunities available to the students admitted to the Department of Botany. The unique nature of this special course was also highlighted. The teacher co-ordinator of the first M. Sc. students (2017 admission), Dr. Bindu R. Nair proposed the vote of thanks. The programme was co-ordinated by Dr. Bindu R. Nair with help from M.Sc students and research scholars. The programme came to a close by 12.45 pm. The students were taken to the Sophisticated Instrumentation and Computation Facility (SICC), University of Kerala post lunch in order to familiarize the students with the equipments available at the centre. Thus the one-day induction programme came to an end by 3.45 pm on the same day and left the students excited and happy about their achievement of getting admitted to this prestigious Department founded by the great visionary, Prof. (Dr.) A. Abraham.

Venue: Seminar Hall, Department of Botany, 19-09- 2017,	
Welcome	Dr. Suhara Beevy S., Assoc. Prof. &Head, Dept. of Botany
Inaugural Address	Dr. N. Omanakumari, Prof., Former Head, Dept. of Botany
Message	Dr. Radhamany P.M. Prof., Former Head, Dept. of Botany
Invited talk:	Dr. Shirly Raichal Anil, Principal Scientist, Crop Improvement Div., CTCRI
Student Res. Forum Presentation	Mr. Rakesh
Vote of thanks:	Dr. Bindu R. Nair, Asst. Prof., Dept. of Botany
Afternoon session	Visit to the Sophisticated Instrumentation and Computation Facility (SICC), UoK.



B5. Dept. of Chemistry

The induction programme for the 2017 batch of S1 MSc students were conducted by the Department of Chemistry on 15.09.2017 in the forenoon session. Dr. Sreejalekshmi K. G, Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology (IIST), Thiruvananthapuram was the chief guest and invited speaker. Professor Dr. T. S Anirudhan, Vice-Chairman CSS and Director, School of Physical and Mathematical Sciences gave the presidential address. The Head of the Department, Dr. S. M. A. Shibli welcomed the invited speaker, other faculties and the young students. Dr. Sreejalekshmi who is also an alumnus of the Department enthused the audience with an excellent motivational talk emphasizing the importance of education in University department. She instilled the students to boldly proceed their studies in chemistry and to aspire for higher targets like PhD after their course. She explained about the role of a teacher and the role of a student in an academic system. Having done her masters and PhD in our department, Dr. Sreeja could clearly pinpoint the progress the department has made in terms of infrastructural facilities. She made the students aware of the glorious history of the department with eminent faculty members. She also explained some new areas in space research and encouraged students to make a visit to IIST.

Dr. Sreejalekshmi's talk was highly useful and motivational for the students and they all understood that she was an example portraying to what heights an MSc student from the Department can reach with constant hard work and enthusiasm. All faculty members of the Department and S3 MSc students attended the programme. The students introduced among themselves to the M. Phil and PhD students. The meeting came to an end by 12.30 PM followed by cultural fest organised by some senior students.



B6. Dept. of Commerce

The 1st M.Com (2017 admission) students were given a 4 day induction program on 13th, 14th, 15th and 19th September, 2017

Resource Persons and topics covered

1. Mrs. Deena Balakrishnan, Chief Consultant Psychologist, MindScape, Trivandrum

A session was delivered by Consultant Psychologist, Ms. Deena Balakrishnan for M.Com first year students of the Dept. of Commerce, University of Kariavattom, Trivandrum, with respect to their induction held on 14th Sept, 2017.

Topic: Personality and Better Living: Areas covered in first module:

- Self-Awareness: Self Disclosure and interpersonal skills (IPS), importance of IPS (Activity based),
- Components of personality: Thoughts-action-behaviour, forming of impression and how it leads to relatively stable patterns of personality.
- Developing Emotional Quotient (EQ): Benefits of EQ in personal and professional life-becoming productive and successful through developing EQ-Self-awareness, social awareness, Self-Management and relation management
- What is a good personality?: essential qualities- Self-confidence, positive thinking, learning from failure, self-reliance etc
- How to gain such a personality: Soft skills and impression formation
- Elements of communication, decision making, problem solving,
- Goal setting-vision & mission
- Time management: Priority matrix
- Leadership Qualities

Areas covered in second module:

- Importance of Better living
- Common and Uncommon nature of problems- how depression and anxiety leads to suicide
- Warning signs
- Importance of support system
- Approaches to problem solving
- Why giving up/suicide is not an answer to any problem
- Balanced living- Physical-Psychological and Spiritual
- "Then Why Worry?" Paradigm

2. Dr. Angelo Mathew Panathapuram, Faculty, Department of Personnel Management, Loyola College of Social Sciences

Topic: Visualization for Leadership Excellence: Themes covered -Leadership Principles, Promise, and Pragmatics Introduction, Visual Principles & Visualizing, What is the modality to work out?, Visualization in leading & Problem Solving, Visualization Techniques, Transformation of the symbolic into the realistic-Structural Technical, Behavioral and Meditational Developing visualisation strategy includes planning activities to resolve difficulties and build on strengths in a step by step way for greater career results with an eye on Personal Branding.

3. Dr. Aby Tellas, Faculty, Dept. of Personnel Management, Loyola College of Social Sciences

The base theme for the session was Team Building and is titled "Let's Know Each Other and Make the World a Better Place". The session started questioning the participants - "Who are You?" proceeded to find out what kind of a person each one is? with few demonstrations. Discussed the importance of having a team and games were played to understand the role of each individual in a team. Explained the process of how synergy happens in teams. The whole session's idea and learning were summarized and the two hour discourse of team building ended by 4.20 pm.

4. Mr. Senthilkumar Madhavan, Senior Trainer, HR & Communication

- Group Dynamics
- Team Building
- Interpersonal communication
- Orientation for attending interview

5. Dr. Gabriel Simon Thattil, Professor, Department of Commerce, University of Kerala

Self-management interventions were initiated through a personal SWOT with clarity of thought on what is controllable and what not. Identifying ones potential strengths and consistently working on its development are key success initiatives. Techniques of motivation through self-motivation and learning from the robust environment were discussed. We need to know where we want to lead the self and work on efforts to be on the track through self-correction and introspection.

B8. Dept. of Communication and Journalism

The Induction programme for the newly admitted MCJ students in the Department of Communication and Journalism was held on September 13th, 2017. Venue of the programme was the Preview Room in the Department. The programme started at 10.00 am. Every teaching faculty members and newly admitted students of the first year MCJ course attended the programme.

The Head of the Department Dr. M.S. Harikumar welcomed all the new students who have entered in to the area of Media Studies. In his speech he gave an overview of the Department and the status of Communication Studies in the Country. This was followed by the inauguration and keynote address by Dr.Subash Kuttan, Chairman, Board of Studies, Journalism, UoK. Speaking on the topic, "The Art of Effective Communication". He sensitised the students on diverse areas of Journalism studies. The faculty members Ms. Maggie. J, Dr. Lalmohan P., and Mr. K.S Suresh also spoke on various topics related to academia. The programme ended by 01.30 pm followed by a high tea.



B7. Dept. of Computational Biology & Bioinformatics

Learning to Learn Induction Report

A student enters into the doorstep of an institution with lot of expectation and ambiguity. The Learning to learn induction program helps to throw away the ambiguity and stay tuned with the working culture department. A week program was scheduled under the initiatives of Ms. Rani J.R., team leader, Lectures team to makes changes in all fresh minds. It gives a trigger to students as well as deep awareness about learning style, academic practices and structure of university etc.

Induction Schedule for MSc 2017-18 admission

Day	Time	Session
13.09.2017	10.00 am -11.00 am	Inauguration: Dr.Oommen V. Oommen (Former Chairman, Kerala State Biodiversity Board)
	11.15 am – 12.30 am	Ice breaking session: Mr.Appu (ASAP)
	1.45 pm – 4.00 pm	Pre-Induction Test: Ms. Rani J.R, Ms. Shanitha A. Session on Creativity: Dr. Achuthsankar S. Nair
14.09.2017	9.45 am- 11.00 am	Life @DCB: Ms. Sunitha P.
	11.15 am - 12.00 noon	Talk on Nutrition: Dr. Anitha Mohan
	12.15 noon – 1.15 pm	Talk “Finding the Treasure within”: Dr. Joju John
	2.00 pm – 3.00 pm	Plagiarism/ MOOC/ Research: Ms.Biji C.L.
15.09.2017	9.45 am- 12.00noon	Time Management: Ms. Shanitha A.
	12.00 noon – 1.00 pm	Test Credits and grades: Ms.Rani J.R.
	2.00 pm – 3.00 pm	Creating Student Profile/ Internet Etiquette/ Website: Ms. Aparna/Ms. Jaicy
20.10.2017	11.00 am- 1.00 pm	Personal Development Portfolio
	2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	Rejuvenating young minds Dr. Justin Padamadan, Clinical Psychologist
	4.00pm-5.00pm	Campus Library visit with Ms. Binimol

Learning to learn induction programme was officially inaugurated by Dr. Oommen V. Oommen, Former Chairman, Kerala State Biodiversity Board. During the ceremonial function Dr. Oommen V. Oommen administered the graduate attribute oath and motivated the students to apply their skills so as to benefit the society.



Learning to learn Induction inaugural session

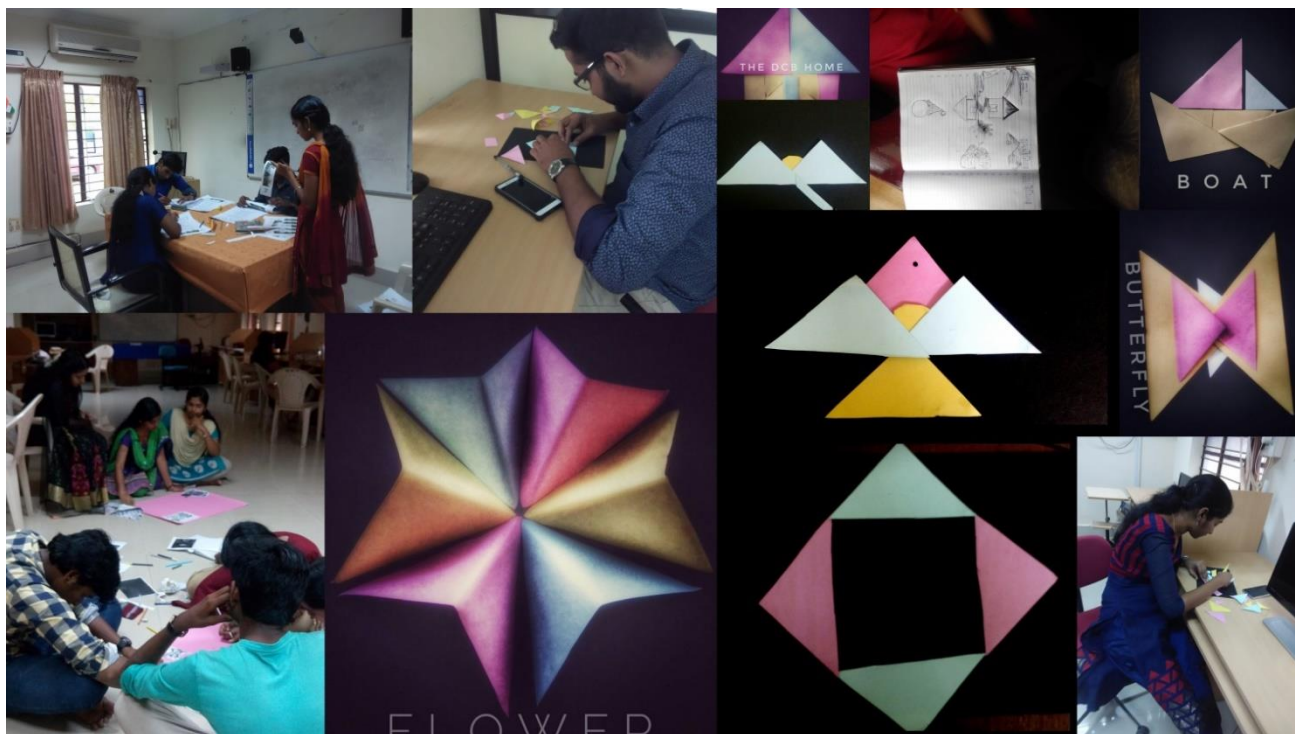
Following the inaugural session, Mr. Appu from ASAP detailed the relevance of communication through interesting games. In the afternoon a pre induction test was conducted which is followed by a session on creativity by Dr. Achuthsankar S. Nair. He shared the creativity waves in and around DCB and discussed a few tips to unleash the power of human mind thereby enabling new ideas.

Day 2 started with a session by Ms. Sunitha P. on Life @DCB. She gave a detailed introduction about the history of the Department and also life @ DCB. Also introduced the various teams @ DCB like Lecturers team, Admin team, AiCADD team etc and the various student clubs like Sarga, Haritha, Karunya, Indis, etc. The various systems and practices followed in DCB were also discussed during the session. A student charter prepared by the MPhil batch was shown and asked them to prepare a charter of their own. Shown photographs of many previous events/programs held at DCB and the dreams of DCB. Later there was a talk on “Nutrition” by Dr. Anitha Mohan, State Co-ordinator-National Diet Consultant & Dietitian in charge of Kerala State. She emphasized the importance of healthy diet for kids and adults. The talk by Dr. Joju John on “Finding the Treasure within” highlighted the need to understand one’s own power in doing things. The jovial talk and his interaction made the students to energize themselves with a positive feel. Later Dr Biji C.L., shared with the students the importance of life of learning and the need to for doing massive open online courses. Session highlighted some of the cousera programmes in general DCB promotes. A general overview of research and its process was discussed. Finally Plagarism and the academic dishonesty in educational system was also briefed. The talk emphasized a few tips to prevent the plagiarism plague and some of the best practices we follow in DCB.



Talk by various external experts

Day 3 started with a session on “Time Management” by Ms. Shanitha. The session discussed about stress, the factors that influence stress, obstacles of time management and tips for time management. The next session was on “Test Credits and grades” which gave a brief idea of the MSc Computational Biology Course scheme with the syllabus. Discussed about the core courses and the elective courses offered by our department. The grade point Average (GPA) calculation after every semester and the Cumulative grade point Average (CGPA) calculations methods were also discussed in the session. The End Semester Examinations, projects, mini projects, seminars, attendance, test papers and the internal marks distribution was also discussed in the session. Later Ms. Aparna and Ms. Jaicy discussed about “Creating Student Profile/ Internet Etiquette/ Website”. Various manners to be kept while communicating via internet was presented through a set of rules. The session emphasized on etiquette that need to be maintained especially on email groups as DCB uses email groups as primary medium for communication. The Department website was introduced to the students. Each student were asked to write student profile of a fellow classmate which will be later uploaded in the website.



Creativity session: Tangrams making

On Day 5, a small ceremony was organized where each MSc student presenting their Development Plan- one of the most important resolution of the students which can transform their lives. Each student had one internal mentor who helped them to prepare the Portfolio. The students were garlanded with traditional cloths and were welcomed to present their plan. Without any hiccups they presented well their 2 year plan in the department. In the afternoon, Dr. Justin Padamadan, Clinical Psychologist interacted with students in a jovial manner. He shared a few tips for rejuvenating young minds thereby making mind and body well for promoting science. M.Sc. Students visited Kariavattom campus library with Dept. Librarian Ms. Binimol. Campus Asst. Librarian introduced various sections and facilities of campus library to students.



Campus library visit



MSc students presenting their Portfolio Development Plan

B8. Dept. of Demography

In continuation of the School Level Induction Programme held on 23.08.2016, the Department of Demography had its induction programme for the newly joined students of MSc programmes on 01 September 2016 at 10:30 AM.

The induction programme was inaugurated by Prof. T S Anirudhan, Vice-Chairman, CSS, University of Kerala in a function presided by Prof. P. Mohanachandran Nair, Head of the Department of Demography. Three eminent personalities in the field of Demography/Actuarial Science namely, Professor P S Nair, Former Professor and Head, Department of Demography, University of Kerala and Former Professor and Head, Department of Population Studies, University of Botswana, Professor Sankara Sarma, Professor of Biostatistics, Achuthamenon Centre for Health Science Studies and Research, Sree Chithra Institute, Trivandrum and Sri. Chidambaram, Actuary, Trivandrum spoke on the occasion. They talked about the importance of Demography and Actuarial Science as scientific disciplines and the scope and usefulness of the subjects in the current scenario. Dr. Anil Chandran, Assistant Professor, Department of Demography welcomed the speakers and audience and Ms. Jilsha Sreedhar delivered vote of thanks. The induction programme ended by 01:30 PM.



B9. Dept. of Economics

The induction program organized by the Department of Economics for the year 2017 -18 was in fact a nourishing and enlightening experience. The welcome address was provided by Dr. Abdul Salim, Head of the Department of Economics and the program was inaugurated by Dr. Achuth Sankar S. Nair, Director of IQAC, University of Kerala and the induction address in forenoon session was given by Dr. Divya S. Iyer. The induction program was motivating enough to raise our dreams high and alter our attitude to reach highest feasible altitude. Dr. Achuthsankar talked about the need for avoiding petty excuses and the necessity for hard work to attain our dreams. The induction address by Dr. Divya S Iyer , Sub collector of Thiruvananthapuram was indeed a vibrant interaction session, whereby we students, could gain practical experience and opinions from a real bureaucrat. It was beneficial for the civil service aspirants who occupied a major portion of the audience .Dr. Anitha V., delivered the vote of thanks.

The session was followed by the display of an informative video titled as 'Graduate Aptitudes' prepared by the IQAC team, University of Kerala.

In the afternoon session, special induction address was given by Dr. P. K Vargheese, Head of the Department of Economics, Bishoop Moore College, Mavellikara. Dr. Manju S. Nair delivered welcome address and the Special address was made by Dr. A.K Prasad. The session was also very interesting and was marked by active interaction and vibrant participation of the audience. Overall the induction program was judged to be inspiring and was rated 8.5 out of 10 by the students.

INDUCTION PROGRAMME

Department of Economics

University of Kerala

Venue: Seminar Hall, Date: 25th September 2017, 10 AM

I Session Time: 10 AM-1 PM

Welcome : Prof. Abdul Salim A (Head, Department of Economics)
Inaugural Address : Dr. Achuthsankar S. Nair (Director, IQAC, University of Kerala)
Induction Address : Dr. Divya S. Iyer IAS (Sub Collector & Sub Divisonal Magistrate, Tvpam)
Vote of Thanks : Dr. Anitha V

II Session Time: 2 PM-4 PM

Welcome : Dr. Manju S. Nair
Special Address : Dr. A. K. Prasad
Induction Address : Dr. P K Vargheese (Bishop Moore College, Mavelikkara)
Vote of Thanks : Siddik. R

B10. Department of Environmental Sciences

The department level induction programme for the Post Graduate students admitted in August 2017 was conducted in the Dept. of Environmental Sciences on 14/09/2017. In order to get awareness about the ongoing research activities of the department, students were taken to various laboratories of the department between 11.00 am and 1.00 pm, and Research Scholars in-charge of various Labs explained to the students the research activities. The official induction programme started in the afternoon at 2.00pm with a prayer, followed by the welcome address and 15 minutes power point based presentation about the department by Dr. Sabu Joseph, HOD and power point based presentation about credit and semester system by Dr. V. Salom Gnana Thnaga, Assoc. Professor about 30 minutes. This was followed by an invited talk on "How to live a Happy and Healthy life in campus" by Dr. Krishna Prasad Kurup, Medical Officer, Kariavattom campus for about 45 minutes. This was followed by an interactive session and self-introduction by the new comers. Mrs. Navami, Contract Lecturer, proposed vote of thanks. The programme came to an end at 4.30 pm with a cup of tea.

Venue: Seminar Hall, Dept. of Environmental Sciences, Kariavattom Campus

Topic	Speaker
Prayer	M.sc Students
Welcome Address & Introduction to the Dept.	Dr. Sabu Joseph, Assoc. Prof. & Head, Dept. of Env. Sci.
About Credit and Semester System	Dr. V. Salom Gnana Thanga, Assoc. Prof., Dept. of Env. Sci.
Invited talk on " How to live a healthy life in campus"	Dr. Krishna Prasad Kurup, Medical Officer, Kvtm Campus
Self- Introduction	Students of 2017 admission
Vote of thanks	Dr. Jaya D.S., Assoc. Professor, Dept. of Env. Sci.
Visit to Department Facilities	



B11. Dept. of Geology

The induction programme for post graduate students admitted to the Department of Geology in August 2017 was conducted in the Department of Geology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom Campus on 14-09-2017. The induction programme was an initiative to make the students aware of the department, faculties, staff and the resources available to them.

The forenoon session of the programme started at 10:40 a.m. in the seminar hall of the department with a prayer by Saranya R. Chandran of M.Sc. Geology (S-3 batch). Dr. A.P. Pradeepkumar, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Geology welcomed the new entrants and gave a brief account of the department. The HoD also introduced the department website (<https://keralauniversity.ac.in/dept/deptHome.php?deptID=9>) and highlighted the rich content of the website, which includes the e-library, list of upcoming programmes, Erudite talks, seminars, library resources etc. to the students. The chief guest of the occasion was Dr. Krishna Prasad Kurup, Doctor, Campus Hospital, UoK, Kariavattom. Dr. Kurup gave a Sanskrit-spiced talk on 'How to live a healthy life in the campus' with classic examples from Indian mythology. He stressed upon the need to protect the mother earth and also encouraged the students to consider our nature as a "preventive doctor". After that all the faculty members introduced themselves to the new comers, followed by the self-introduction of the fresher's. Dr. Anil kumar Y., Assistant Professor, Department of Geology, gave an introduction about 'How to Learn Free and Open Source Software'. The programme ended at 13:10, with the vote of thanks by Dr. Anil kumar. Y (Course coordinator).

The afternoon session of the induction programme was arranged to introduce various infrastructure facilities of the department. New students got the opportunity to visit the library, office and all laboratories pertaining to the department.

The students were given a welcome package of a folder, one note book, 10 sketch pens, one bar of milk chocolate and a copy of the Disaster Risk and Vulnerability Conference 2017

Time	Topic	Speaker
10.30-10.32	Prayer	Saranya. R. Chandran
10.32-10.50	Welcome Address & Introduction of Dept	Dr. A.P. Pradeepkumar Assoc. Prof. & Head, Dept. of Geology
10.50-11.00	Address by	Dr. S.N. Kumar, Assoc. Prof. & Director, School of Earth System
11.00-11.20	Address by Chief Guest on <i>How to live a healthy life in the campus</i>	<i>Dr. Krishna Prasad Kurup,</i> <i>Doctor, Campus Hospital, UoK, Kvtm</i>
11.20-11.22	Presentation of Memento to the Chief Guest by Dr. S.N. Kumar, Assoc. Professor & Director, School of Earth System	
11.22-11.40	Tea Break	
11.40-12.20	Self- Introduction	Students of 2017 admission
12.20-12.40	Self- Introduction	Faculty Members
12.40-01.00	Introduction to 'How to Learn Free and Open Source Software'	Dr. Anilkumar. Y Asst. Professor, Dept. of Geology
01.00-01.10	Vote of thanks	Dr. Anilkumar. Y (course coordinator)
Time	Name of Lab	In-charge
2.00-2.20	Library	Shri. Ranjith (Librarian)
2.20-2.30	Thin-section making lab	Shri. Satheesh (Technitian)
2.30-2.40	Geoinformatics Lab	Dr. Ajith Govind
2.40-2.50	Petrology Lab	Dr. Anilkumar. Y
2.50-3.00	AMS Lab	Dr. E.Shaji
3.00-3.10	LERIS	Dr. Sajinkumar K.S.
3.10-3.20	Office	Section Officer
3.20-4.00	Chemical Lab	Ms. Shamna, Chemist
4.00-4.30	Museum	Dhaneesh & Team (Research Scholars)



Inaugural address: Dr. A.P. Pradeepkumar
(HoD, Dept. of Geology)



Fresher's attending to the function



Presidential address: Dr. S.N. Kumar,
Director of School of Earth System Sciences



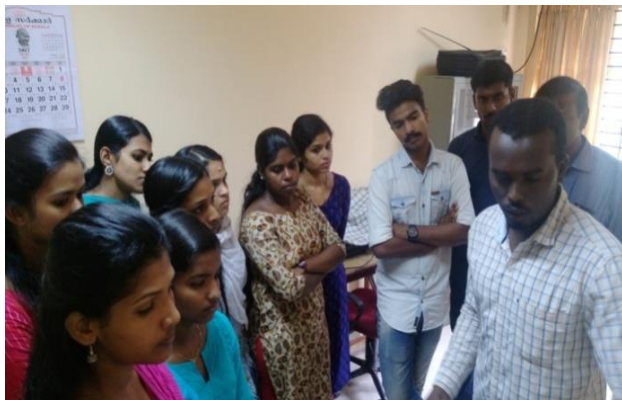
Inaugural address: Dr. Krishna Prasad Kurup,
University Campus, Doctor



Introduction of Dept. Website:
Dr. A.P. Pradeep kumar, HoD, Dept. of Geology.



Introduction to Open Source Software:
Dr. Anil Kumar. Y, Asst. Prof., Dept. of Geology



Introduction to AMS Lab: Omer Mohammed
ahmed Yusuf Adam, Msc (2015-17 batch)



Introduction to Geochemistry Lab: S.K.
Shamna, The Chemist



Introduction to Dept. Museum



Introduction to Dept. Library :
Renjith, Librarian

B12. Dept. of History

The Induction Programme for First Semester MA History (CSS) students (2017-19 Batch) on 22/09/2017 at Department Seminar Hall. Dr. V. Sathish, Associate Professor & Head of the Department presided over the function. Dr. B. Sobanan, Former Head & Dean, Department of History, University of Kerala, Kariavattom was the Chief Guest who delivered special talk. Prof. (Dr.) Suresh Jnaneswaran, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, delivered keynote address.

Faculty members and students of the Department attended the Induction Programme. Consistent with this, Dr. P. Jinimon, Assistant Professor welcomed the gathering and Ms. Sajna. A, Assistant Professor extended vote of thanks.

B13. Dept. of Law

Department of Law, University of Kerala conducted the department level induction programme for the one year LLM (Public law and IPR) Batch 2017-2018 on 4th October 2017. The programme was inaugurated by Prof. Meena T. Pillai, Professor, Institute of English, Director, Centre for Cultural Studies, University of Kerala. A Total of nineteen students were enrolled in to the programme.

In the morning the students along with the faculty members visited various Departments in the University Campus, Karyavattom. First they visited Oriental Research Institute and manuscripts library. The students were welcomed by Prof. Sainaba, Head of Department. History of the ORI was presented to the students through their documentary show. The students visited the library which contained manuscripts (around 65000 palm leaves) and ancient materials on various subjects. Students were also given chances to do write on palm leafs. After that the students were brought to the Department of Archeology where the faculty and researchers described the various archeological exhibits and their history.

The afternoon session of the induction programme started at 1.30pm. with the lecture of Prof Meena T. Pillai, Professor, Institute of English, Director, Centre for Cultural Studies, University of Kerala. She explained the traditional background of our University and the importance of campus life. She delivered a speech with regard to scope, relevance and importance of our subject and the scope of research. She also made a lecture on feminist jurisprudence and impact of media on students. The youngsters were very much impressed and motivated by the humility, sincerity and encouraging attitude and words of Prof. Meena T. Pillai.

Students also had a session of self-interaction where they introduced themselves and shared their interest and passion. They also shared their graduate experience and their future expectations from the department. The faculty members and staffs of the department were introduced to the students. The Graduate Attribute Video, pledge and Anti-ragging videos were also shown to the students. The day concluded with the various entertainments of the students. The programme also had high tea served.





B14. Department of Mathematics

The Department of Mathematics, University of Kerala, Kariavattom decided to conduct a Two day Department Level Induction Programme on 18th and 19th September 2017. But unfortunately, 18th September 2017 was declared a holiday by the Government. So the two days' programme was jointly held as a single day programme on 19th September 2017 in two sessions, one in the morning and other in the afternoon at the Department Lecture hall. The speakers of the day were Dr. A. R. Rajan, Retd Professor, Department of Mathematics, University of Kerala in the Morning session and Dr. K. Karunakaran, Retd Professor, M. G. College, Thiruvananthapuram in the Afternoon session. Both the classes served as a bridge for students from their UG classes to PG level. The classes were so interesting and interactive. About 22 students took part in the Induction programme.



B15. Dept. of Physics

The Department level induction program was conducted on 15.09.2017 at Physics Department Auditorium and Dr. K G Gopchandran Sir, Head, Department of Optoelectronics was the chief guest. Program started with welcome from Dr. G Subodh, HOD, Department of Physics. He extended a warm welcome to the chief guest. The program went very well that we believe it was the best induction program till date that we could offer to newly joined students in Physics Department.

Prof. Gopchandran sir told about various aspects about enlarging our thoughts and visions so that we can do justice as the descendants of proud family of elite teacher and researcher like Prof. Vishwanathan sir, Student of C V Raman and the Founder HOD of Department of Physics. It is often fascinating to see that this department functions in the best way possible even if in the most chaotic environments. Prof. K G Gopchandran was pointing out that this is only possible because of the grace that is showered up in this department starting from C V Raman. As we all know Sir C V Raman, the only Indian Nobel Laureate in science had taken personal interest in visiting the department on its time of establishment. The luminaries and visionaries like Prof. Balaram, Prof. Devanarayan, Prof. Aruldas and many more were instrumental and played key role in setting up the standard of the department. When we speak of any universities, science departments are often given limelight because science has now become a way of living and technology has toughed us in different dimensions of our life. The chief guest was also pointing out that the way the science is progressing itself shows us that there are innumerable opportunities awaiting for us if we stand together. As we must be aware of rights, we must be also responsible regarding our duties. This quote does ring bells, isn't it? Yes it does! Now the era of getting our rights is shifting to an era of consequences of our duties. Gopchandran sir was definitely striking the knots to bring music of harmony that the department should have so that students and teachers many join hands to work for their mutual benefit and life goals. In between his speech, he was also mentioning about Artificial Intelligence, Laser aided Travel and many other innovative ideas which could shape the world in a different way unimaginable in the wildest dreams of the any scientist. Such is the possibility that awaits us. These thoughts were quite apt to be shared to the young minds who listened to him with prime attention and without a blink of eye.



Again our former HOD, Dr. V Biju also shared some of the interesting stories regarding Prof. Viswanathan sir to substantiate the thoughts put forward by Prof. K G Gopchandran sir. Biju sir was talking about the healthy tussle between Sir C V Raman and Prof Max Born and how Prof. Viswanathan was the key person in solving the tussle between the theories put forward by Raman and Born by using Statistical interpretation of Phonon in the theory of Lattice Vibration.

When such a tradition exists in our department, we should be proud as well as understand that this grace will definitely pull out that extra energy in us to change us from ordinary human being to super humans. The activation energy required for the students was given in ample time with necessary evidence to recreate the joy of learning. Biju sir was also mentioning that students should use their time and effort wisely and judiciously. It is your own choice in life whether to use

freedom in the direction of development or not. Freedom is always there for students but making the freedom scattered in many dimensions also may cost your life. Your pursuit of knowledge should be considered most fruitful goal in coming two years so that we may have made the foundation in Physics so strong that we would never fall. The thought may be deep but he put the above thought in simple words by saying that before talking about wave function collapse, a student should at least learn to solve the solved problems in quantum mechanics using wave function. Yeah, it does make sense.

All want to expand in all dimensions but first knowing yourself, knowing your physics terrain is more important than jumping in all dimensions without clarity. To conclude, Dr. Udaychandran Tamy, Dr. I N Jawahar and Dr. Sibi K S extended warm regards and wishes for their all success in coming days.



B16. Department of Political Science

Department of Political Science has organised the Department level induction programme for the First Year PG students on 13 September 2017 at the Department Seminar Hall. The programme started at 10.00 am.

Dr. Joseph Antony, presided over the inaugural session. He presented the history of Department of Political Science and the significance of the PG programme. Dr. K.M. Seethi, Professor, School of International Relations and Politics, MG University, Kottayam delivered a speech on the significance of Social Science and Political Science and the role of interdisciplinarity in the studies. At 12.00 noon, Dr. Anu Unny, Faculty of Department of Political Science explained to them about the Campus and chaired the Ice-Breaking session. At 2.00 pm, Dr. Shaji Varkey explained about the PG programme and discussed about the syllabus. The first phase of induction programme came to an end at 3.30 pm. The Department is planning to give to the new students classes on Time Management, Stress Management, Communication skill, etc in the days to come.



Presidential address: Dr. Joseph Antony



Talk: Dr. K.M. Seethi, Professor, School of International Relations and Politics, MG University, Kottayam



B17. Dept. of Statistics

The department Level Induction Programme of the Department of Statistics, University of Kerala was conducted on 13 September 2017 at Department Seminar Hall. All the members of the Staff (teaching and non-teaching) and students were participated in the programme. The first semester students and staff members introduced themselves and Head of the Department had initiated a discussion through giving a detailed information regarding the department history, resources available in the department, scope of the subject, brief outline of the syllabus, procedures of evaluation (internal / external) etc. Other faculty members also given their advices and the Administrative Officer has given a brief outline of the administrative formalities connected with registration, Fee details, e-grants etc. The Librarian has briefed the matters connected with the quantum of books available the Dept library, issue of books etc. and Office Assistant also introduced herself and assured her service to each of them. Finally, the doubts of the new students in respect of both the academic and administrative aspects had been clarified by the staff members of the department.

