

# **TK MADHAVA MEMORIAL COLLEGE**

**NANGIARKULANGARA**

## **SCHOLAR SUPPORT PROGRAMME REPORT 2018-2019**

Scholar Support Programme(SSP) has been designed to extend personalized additional support to students through tutorials, additional lectures and interactive sessions. The scheme of the programme aims at giving necessary orientation to students who need additional support to excel in their respective disciplines, to come out of their difficulties in learning, to get orientation in IT and Life Skills.

After the successful consecutive conduct of the programme during the plan periods 2015-16 and 2016-17 respectively, the interest from student community towards the programme was exceptional, and thus our College decided to continue the programme initiated by the Office of the New Initiatives in Higher Education, Directorate of Collegiate Education, Govt. of Kerala, for the plan period 2018-19 as well. Smt. Soumya V.S, Asst. Professor, Department of English was selected as the coordinator of the programme. Among the five mentors assigned to mentees of the first year programme; namely, Ms. Sarsha T S, Asst. Professor, Department of English and Ms. Renjini S, Asst. Professor, Department of Mathematics, Sri. Saneesh Kumar N , Asst Professor Department of Chemistry, Smt Preetha M V ,Asst Prrofessor Department of Economics and Smt Anjana J, Guest Faculty , Department of English. When the Guest Faculty has been replaced by permanent faculty, Dr. Parvathy U, Asst Professor Department of English became the new internal mentor for the smooth conduct of the programme..

A meeting of First year UG students was arranged to give awareness regarding the programme. The scheme and objectives of the programme explained in detail to them. The selection of the students includes the following steps. The group tutors conducted a test paper and forty students were selected based on the performance in the test and their plus two marks. Finally five subjects were chosen namely ; Zoology, English, Economics, Industrial Chemistry and B.Com Travel and Tourism. The students were free to choose their mentors with respect to the difficulty in their respective disciplines.

On 05-Jan-2019, external mentoring sessions started. The Principal, Co-ordinator and some of the internal mentors addressed the function. The co-ordinator introduced the detailed schemes and schedules of the programme as well as the needs and benefits of the programme to the students. A 6 hours external mentoring session on Life Skills on the topic entitled 'Knowing Oneself' , Confidence Building, Defining Strength and Thinking Creatively, which comes under the module personal skills was handled by Sri Bhanu Krishnan R, SDE ASAP.

On 10, 11 January 2019 another four hour external mentoring from 9 am to 10 am and 3.45 to 4.45 pm on IT skills on the topic 'Introduction to Computers' was handled by Miss Indu.S, Lecturer in Computer Science , College of Applied Science Karthikapally.

On 12 Jan 2019 a 6 hr external mentoring on Life Skills on the topics Personal values, Time and Stress Management, Language Practice and Listening Skills- guided and free listening included in the modules personal skills and social skills were handled by Mr. Bhanu Krishnan R, SDE ASAP. Since the feedback given by the student regarding the class was excellent we decided to continue Bhanukrishnan R as external mentor on life skills.

On 13 Jan 2019 another 6 hr external mentoring on Life Skills on the topics entitled Listening Skills- guided and free listening, speaking skills- self introduction, mock interview, instant speech was handled by Bhanukrishnan R.

On 14 , 15, 16, 17 and 18 Jan 2019 2 hr external mentoring from 9 am to 10 am and 3.45 to 4.45 pm on IT Skills on the topics Word processing, Electronic Spred Sheets, Presentations and Data Basics were handled by Miss Indu , Lecturer in CS, CAS.

On 19 Jan 2019, 4 hr FN extra mentoring on Life Skills on topics entitled Improving Self Esteem, methods for lg (activity oriented)memory techniques and how to face exams were

handled by Smt Maya Susan Jacob, counselling psychologist, Grideepam Institutions Kottayam. And 3 hrs AN external mentoring on Life Skills on the topics speaking skills – self introduction, mock interview, instant speech, appropriate contextual use were handled by Bhanukrishnan R.

On 20 Jan 2019, another 6 hrs external mentoring on Life Skills on the topics Non Verbal Communication and Interpersonal Skills were taken by Bhanukrishnan R.

On 22, 23 Jan 2019 a 4 hr external mentoring on IT skills on the topics Data Base basics were handled by Smt Indu S.

On 16 Feb 2019 another 6 hrs external mentoring on Life Skills on the topics Interpersonal Skills , public speaking and language practice in the module Social Skills handled by Bhanukrishnan. Since this was the last class on Life Skills there was a language practice sessions in which the mentor divided them among groups and they were given a task to prepare recipes with ice cream and come with their recipes. To my surprise the students have changed a lot as they were not at all hesitant to speak in English.

On 17 Feb 2019, a 6 hr external mentoring on Basics of Image Editing was handled by Miss Indu S. The students were able to operate computers themselves create email, make presentaions.

The format of Mentees Cumulative Records was distributed to the internal mentors, in order to collect and file the personnel profile of each mentee during the successive internal mentoring sessions. The required stationary kits were also provided. The internal mentoring sessions were carried out at 9 a.m to 10 a.m or 3.45 p.m to 4.45 p.m on working days and sometimes conveniently on Saturdays. The internal mentoring sessions were mainly focused on to uplift the confidence level of mentees, their attitudes, skill as well. Value inculcation and SWOT analysis were also made. The career aspiration classes, group talks, how to face

interviews so and so classes were conducted for second year students. Efforts were initiated to bridge the gap between education and employment. Mentees who had serious family issues were given special considerations and affections to sit for unremitting discussions to sort out their mind set and attitudes.



**EXTERNAL MENTORING SESSION**



Co-Ordinator

**Soumya VS**