## ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN (STUDENT ENRICHMENT PROGRAMMES) 2016-17

- 1. Bridge Course: The Department of Economics conducted a bridge course in Economics for three weeks. The course was specially designed for BA Semester I students who have had no exposure to Economics earlier. The main objective of the course was to introduce the basic concepts of Economics to the students so as to enable them to cope with the current syllabi. 15 students registered for the course.
- 2. Certificate Course on 'Quantitative Techniques and Basics of Econometrics: The inauguration of the Certificate Course on 'Quantitative Techniques and Basics of Econometrics was held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016. Dr. E. M. Travassos, Head, Department of Economics, & Vice Principal, ParvatibaiChowgule College of Arts & Science (Autonomous), Margao was the chief guest and resource person. Dr.Travassos delivered a lecture on 'The Relevance of Econometrics in Modern Economies'.The course was conducted by Asst. Prof. Yasser HussainRazak



Dr. E. M. Travassos, Head, Department of Economics, & Vice Principal, ParvatibaiChowgule College of Arts & Science (Autonomous), Margao inaugurating the Certificate Course

3. Guest lecture: Dr. ShilpaSamant, Head, Department of Economics, DCTs Dhempe College of Arts & Science, Panaji, delivered a talk to all students on 'Career Options for Economics Graduates' on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2016.



Dr.ShilpaSamant addressing the students

4. ECOBUZZ: The Economics Club organized ECOBUZZ 2016 on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2016. The event was a tremendous success with over 450 students from various BA/ BCom classes participating in 13 competitions. Adv. Yemane D'Souza, a former student of MES College (2007 batch) was the chief guest for the inaugural function. The inaugural function was followed by various onstage and off-stage competitions. The topic for the debate was 'Inflation is necessary for a healthy economic growth.' The topic for the essay competition was 'Tourism in Goa: A boon or bane.' There were two rounds of group discussion on the topics 'Reverse Brain Drain – Can we make it happen?' and 'Start ups v/s Big brand names - which one should one join?' There was a written quiz competition and treasure hunt as well. Students displayed their talent and creativity in competitions such as T-shirt painting on the theme 'India's urban poor' and Collage on the theme 'Growth of consumerism in India.' Mrs. Nandita Pinto Dayal, Ward Member from Issorcim which is a part of the Village Panchayat of Velsao-Pale-Issorcim, was the Chief Guest for the prize distribution function.



The Chief Guest, AdvYemane D'Souza, ex-student of M.E. S. College, addressing the members of Economics Club at the Inaugural Function of ECOBUZZ 2016



The Chief Guest, Mrs. Nandita Pinto Dayal, Ward Member from Issorcim which is a part of the Village Panchayat of Velsao-Pale-Issorcim presenting the Winner's Trophy to BA Sem III Div B at the Prize Distribution Function of ECOBUZZ 2016

*5. Inter-collegiate essay competition:* An inter-collegiate essay competition on 'Consequences of In-migration on Goan Economy' was organized on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016. 21 students from 12 colleges participated in this competition.



*Inter-collegiate essay competition* 

6.*Participation in 'Know Your Economy Test'*: A total of 105 students from FY/SY/TY B.A./B.Com participated in the "Know Your Economy Test" organized by ParvatibaiChowgule College of Arts and Science, Margao, Goa in collaboration with Scientific Research Association for Economics and Finance, Chennai on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

7.National level ECOFEST: The Department of Economics organized the National-level ECOFEST 2017 on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> January 2017 for the tenth consecutive year. About 120 students from 11 colleges from Goa and neighbouring states participated in this mega event. The annual magazine 'KIRAN' was released at the inaugural function of ECOFEST 2017 by the Chief Guest, Shri. Bhaskar Nayak, Director of Higher Education, Government of Goa. The event began with a seminar on 'Social Sector in India: Issues and Challenges'. This was followed by various competitions such as Debate on 'Multinational Corporations-Are they devils in disguise?, T-shirt painting on the theme-'India-Going Cashless', Street Play on 'the Demonetization Drive in India', Collage competition on 'Digital India' and Rangoli competition on 'Save our environment.' The participants also showcased their talent in E-tunes wherein they composed the lyrics for their songs on several themes of economics and Eco-fusion where they depicted themes like poverty, unemployment and corruption through a fusion dance. There was also a fashion show which was a blend of glamour, creativity and talent. Dr.ManasviKamat, Principal, Goa Multi-Faculty College, Dharbandora was the Chief Guest for the valedictory function.



Chief Guest, Shri. Bhaskar Nayak, Director of Higher Education, Government of Goa.addressing the students at the inaugural function of ECOFEST 2017



Release of KIRAN 2016-17



Ecotanki (Street Play)on 'The Demonetzation Drive in India'



ArthashastraVastrashastra (Fashion Show)



Critical Circle (Group Discussion)



Dr.ManasviKamat, Principal, Goa Multi-Faculty College, Dharbandora, giving away the trophy to the Winners of ECOFEST 2017- Gogate Joglekar College, Ratnagiri



Student Volunteers at ECOFEST 2017

8. *Educational trip:* The Department of Economics organized an educational trip to Kolhapur on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017. A total of 70 students went for this trip. They were accompanied by the following faculty: Dr. Meenakshi Bawa and Mr. Hussain Yasser Razak. The students visited Sky Batteries, Kolhapur and enroute visited the wooden toy market at Sawantwadi and Fort at Panhala.

9. Certificate Course on 'Basics of the Theory of Music (Western Classical)': A Certificate Course on 'Basics of the Theory of Music (Western Classical)' of 30 hours was conducted by Dr.

Meenakshi Bawa. 11 students from FY/SY/TY BA/ BCom/ BCA/BBA have registered for the course. The course commenced on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016.

**10.Meditation classes:** Meditation classes were conducted by Dr.RekhaGaonkareveryday from 8.00 a.m. to 8.15 a.m.

11. Students achievements at inter-collegiate events: Our students have participated and excelled in various inter-collegiate events. Our team of eight students participated in Economica 2016 organized by the Department of Economics, Shree Damodar College of Commerce and Economics, Margao. Ms. Swati Roy and Mr. Davis Benjamin won the second prize in collage while Ms. SahilaShaikh, Mr. Sunil Lamni, Mr.VaseemMukihal and Mr.SiddukumarBangi won the first prize in treasure hunt.

Mr. Amresh Bind and Mr. Arjun Rathore won the second prize for the Quiz competition and Mr. VaseemMukihal and Mr.SiddukumarBangi won the third prize in treasure hunt at Revelations 2017 organized by the Department of Economics, ParvatibaiChowgule College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Margao.

Our students Mr. Amresh Bind and Mr. Arvind Sharma bagged the second place at Step Up (Quiz) at ECON 2017 organized by the Department of Economics, Carmel College for Women, Nuvem.

Ms. RenukaSagvekar and Mr.Amresh Bind bagged the second place at the Inter-collegiate Economics Quiz Competition organized by the Department of Economics, Rosary College of Commerce& Arts, Navelim on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017.