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EDITORIAL

Dear Readers,

This issue of the SJUNewsbits comes to you with the theme **NEW-YEAR, NEW-BEGINNING**. The wise say 'life is lived in-between the pauses' – like the one right after we exhale, and before we inhale. Every ending is just another beginning. There really is no better time than the first day of the year to breathe this in. Last two years have been difficult on us with the spread of the coronavirus.

The pandemic made us stay away from our loved ones, live in the constant fear of a virus taking our near and dear ones away. The celebrations have also been rather dull because we kept living in the scare of a virus that grappled the world.

However, it's now time to say goodbye to another year which showed us that when we are together, we can beat the virus, when we have hope in our hearts and precautionary measures up our sleeves, we can always emerge victorious.

The beginning of the new-year is a great opportunity to make a change and gain new experiences by which we may create the history of our life. The new-year brings a different perspective. The biggest and most important adventure of our life is to find who we really are and what do we want to be? The most important skill is to discover your true self. Self-examination and setting a goal is the best way to make the new-year better than last year. Setting a goal keeps us focused and gives us the strength to continue despite uncertainty and difficulties. Just like a rupee note falling on the ground from the pocket does not reduce its value, similarly failures and challenges do not reduce our strength and ability for a while.

The New Year is a great opportunity to turn a difficulty into a challenge. Yesterday's dream is today's hope and tomorrow's reality. Each day is a new beginning and the new-year is a new journey of life, don't let obstacles stop you from fulfilling your hopes and dreams. Let's welcome the year 2022 with outstretched arms, hope, the zeal to work towards our goals and new dreams. Wish you all a happy reading.

With best wishes
The Editors



Dear friends,

I am glad to extend to you all hearty greetings through this newsletter. The theme of this monthly bulletin “New Year; New Beginning” is thought provoking. I wish to share with you what triggered my mind.

“Daffodil flower” was the first thought that struck my mind when I saw the theme “New Year; New Beginning”. The daffodil flower is known for its symbolism of new beginnings and rebirth; however, a single bloom is thought to represent a misfortune. The new beginning may be just the start of something exciting and life changing.

There is something refreshing about a new year because it makes us refocus on our goals. Bringing with it, new opportunities and a promising year full of possibilities. It seems to bring with it a sense of hope for the future while our real hope lies not in a new year but in our strive to achieve the goal. And in our struggle to achieve that goal we set for ourselves it is not “I” alone but “We” that can truly achieve, like a bunch of daffodils that represent new beginning, happiness, friendship and rebirth and not a single bloom. I firmly believe that in unity and togetherness there is happiness, compassion, strength, productivity, respect and above all victory.

In these years of pandemic, the road has been bumpy. No day has been the same thus far, yet I am optimistic as we are slowly returning to normalcy. Let us help each other to settle down in our work and studies. We will find a number of new experiences and lots of challenges but together we will overcome it all. As we begin a New Year let us anticipate some positive changes in our life.

As in the words of Bernard Kelvin Clive “Don’t let your dreams rust! Listen to your youthful bells ringing loud inside of you”. There is a need to stay positive, focused and reset our goals in the pursuit of knowledge and character so that we can truly be fully human as the motto of the university invites us all to be.

I would like to conclude in the words of Theodore Roosevelt, “Do what you can, with what you have, where you are”. It is in this university where we have a gracious place, a committed atmosphere and ever creative minds with vibrant ideas. All can fully utilise it to build the life ahead.

With grateful hearts that God has brought us together, I extend best wishes to all of you for an academically fulfilling journey ahead.



Dr Kinitoli Yeptho

MEETINGS

Academic Working Committee Meeting

Academic Working Committee Meeting was conducted on 28th January 2022

HODs' Meetings

Meetings of Head of the Departments were conducted on the 9th and 29th January 2022

Department meetings

Department of Economics:	24th and 31st January 2022
Department of Physics:	29th January 2022
Department of Education:	21st and 31st January 2022
Department of Political Science:	28th and 31st January 2022
Department of Zoology:	18th January 2022
Department of Sociology:	24th January 2022
Department of English:	17th and 18th January 2022
Department of Economics:	4th, 24th and 31st Jan 2022
Department of JMC:	21st Jan 2022

PROGRAMMES

Pongal Celebration

The faculties of St. Joseph University, celebrated the Pongal Festival with great enthusiasm on 15th, January 2022.

Placement Orientation Programme

St. Joseph University (SJU) organized one-day placement orientation programme for the under graduate and post graduate students on 19th January 2022 by Arms Incorporation (a Japan Based Organization) headed by Mr. Nagatoshi Shibata, the sales head of Arms Incorporation.

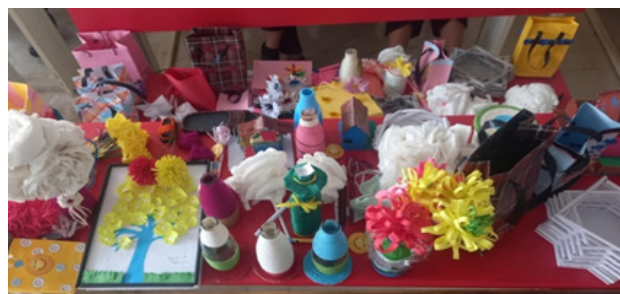
DEPARTMENTAL CURRICULAR PROGRAMMES

Department of Bio Technology

Guest Lecture: The Department of Biotechnology organized a Lecture on “**Principles of inheritance**” on **25th January 2022** at St. Joseph University. Dr. Kimjolly Lhouvum, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology, NIT Arunachal Pradesh delivered the lecture. The talk was attended by undergraduate students of all the departments related to life sciences.

Department of Education

Skill Enhancement: The Department of Education organised an activity based on Skill Enhancement Course (SEC) with the theme “**Learn from me**” on 28th January 2022. The number of participants consisted of students from UG 4th semester, UG 6th semester and PG 1st semester. The motive was to provide limitless opportunity for creative minds. The photo shows some of the products of the activity.



Extension Activity : Father Sunny Joseph conducted an animation programme on **NEP 2020 for the teachers of St Joseph Higher Secondary School and St Antonys school Tenyiphe** on 25th January 2022.

DEPARTMENTAL CURRICULAR PROGRAMMES

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

LECTURE SERIES: The Post Graduate and Research Department of English at St. Joseph University conducted the Fourth Lecture in the English Lecture Series in “**Interdisciplinary / Trans-discursive Critical Thinking**”. This series is aimed at promoting the development of critical thinking abilities and nurturing the art of questioning.

The fourth lecture on “**Psychoanalytic Paradigms in Disability Studies**” was conducted on 22nd January 2022. Dr V Vijayalayan, Assistant Professor of English, Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda College, Chennai was the speaker.

Dr V Vijayalayan gave a detailed lecture on the concept of ‘disability’ from a psychological perspective and further highlighted on ‘Defense Mechanism’ and ‘Disability Oppression’.

DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

WEBINAR: The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication has successfully conducted a webinar on the topic “**Understanding Journalism: News Reporting, Editing, Ethics & Principles of Journalism**” on 28th January 2022. The resource person was Dr. Sourav Gupta, Senior. Assistant Professor, Department of Journalism & Mass Communication, University of Odisha. Dr. Gupta with a PhD has specialized in Communication for Development, Media Aesthetics and Gender & Cultural Studies.



DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

“NATIONAL VOTERS DAY”: On 25th January, 2022, Department of Political Science observed the 12th “National Voters Day” under the theme, ‘Making Elections Inclusive, Accessible and Participative’. Prof. Charles Ezung, Dean of Student’s Affairs, delivered the Key note address. He emphasized on the value and significance of Democratic Mechanism and its practice. He further highlighted the utility of electoral participation and the benefits of being a responsible electorate.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

The Department of Commerce, St. Joseph University, Nagaland organized NABARD sponsored Two-Day National Seminar on “Economic Empowerment of Tiny Agricultural Sectors in India” on 28th & 29th January, 2022 at the University Auditorium. The two day programme was concluded with the note of gratitude by Ms. Alpana Dey and more than 250 participants from various universities and colleges attended the programme.



DEPARTMENTAL CURRICULAR PROGRAMMES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY



NATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY: The Department of Sociology St. Joseph University celebrated the “National Girl Child Day” on 24th January, 2022. The resource person for the programme was Ms. Lozua Kape, Centre Co-ordinator Childline, Dimapur , Prodigals’ Home. She extensively spoke on how we as responsible citizens can save a Girl Child

ORIENTATION OF STUDENTS ON FEE PAYMENT: The Department of Sociology organised a one-day orientation programme on Online fee payment on Tuesday the 18th January 2022 at the auditorium at 12:30 PM. The programme was chaired by Dr. Besii Kholi , the HOD. The resource person for the programme was Prof. Charles Mhonthung Ezung, Dean of Students Affairs SJU.

Prof. Charles delivered a PPT presentation and gave a step-by-step instruction on the online fee payment procedure so as to make sure the students refrain from making any payment errors.

The programme was attended by the students of UG 4th and 6th semesters and PG 1st semester from the department.

DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY



Training programme: A one-day apiculture activity on “Beekeeping Training Programme” on 18th January 2022. The resource person for the programme was Mr. Er Khuvoi Vese, Civil Engineer, Deputy Team Leader Nagaland Beekeeping and Honey Mission. The programme was attended by 90 students.



Field Trip to Intanki National Park: On 27th January 2022, the Department of Zoology organized a field trip for the PG first year students to Intanki National Park.

Altogether 31 students and three members of the faculty took part in the field trip.

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

EXTENSION ACTIVITY: To create awareness on the importance of Energy was held on 31st January 2022 for the Science students of St Joseph Global school. There were presentations on the topics like (i) Radial energy (ii) Mechanical energy (iii) Gravity Energy (iv) Chemical Energy (v) Light Energy, (vi) Electrical Energy (vii) Thermal Energy (viii) Nuclear energy and their importance of our daily life and the use of solar energy.

FIELD TRIP: Dr. R. Amaravel HoD and Dr. A. Arunkumar with 27 students from 4th semester as well as final year students visited National Institute of Technology Nagaland to learn about laboratories and functions.



DIPLOMA PROGRAMME ON EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION

St Joseph University initiated the Diploma programme on Early Childhood care and education with the objective of qualifying the teachers serving in the schools in Nagaland. It has two modules. One with one semester certificate programme the other with one year of diploma consisting of two semesters. 30 working teachers completed the first batch of 6 Months certificate programme on early childhood care and education with the examinations conducted in the month of January.

The one-year diploma programme on Early childhood care and education has completed the first semester with 23 of the serving teachers getting admission to the second semester after their examinations in the month of January 2022.

There have been 11 members of the faculty across different departments from the University directly involved in teaching the programme under the supervision of Dr Mercy, Head, Department of Mathematics with the assistance of and Miss Dovine Dukru, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL PROGRAMMES

Plastic Degradation: Challenges and Opportunities

As part of an interdepartmental invited lecture series, department of Botany organized a guest lecture on 31st January 2022, auditorium on the topic "Plastic degradation: Challenges and opportunities". The guest speaker was Dr M Murali, Department of Zoology, St Joseph University. The webinar was attended by faculties, research scholars and 50 students from the department of Botany.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



St. Joseph University, Nagaland in collaboration with Special Minds organises 2 weeks International Faculty / Knowledge Development Programme on Teaching Efficacy (Academic Leadership Series: Part 2) between the 14th and 27th of February, 2022 (14 days) comprising 2 phases of 7 days each. You can earn 2 credits for API score besides Accreditation points. Registration fee just INR 400/- (14 days; 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm India Time).

Payment Link: <https://imjo.in/4BVbf8>

Registration Form Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SJUFDPFeb2022>

The last date of registration is 12th February 2022



CONCLUSION

A pleasant and happy atmosphere prevailed in the month of January and efforts to provide high quality educational service from all faculty, staff, students and campus community continues to grow.

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