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**Esteemed Chief Guest, Honorable President, Respected Secretary, Distinguished Director,** Revered Members of the Board of Management, Learned Colleagues, Dedicated Non-Teaching Staff, Esteemed Parents, Honoured Guests, and My Dear Students,

It is my profound privilege and honour to extend a warm welcome to our esteemed **Chief Guest, Honorable Member of Parliament, Mr. S. Murasoli,** a distinguished personality who has graciously taken time from his demanding schedule to join us for the 23rd Annual Day Celebrations. I am equally delighted to extend a heartfelt welcome to our **Guest of Honour, Marabuchudar M.R. Jayanthi**, an esteemed poet, motivational speaker, and the visionary Founder & Director of Pattampoochi FM, Thanjavur.

Furthermore, I extend my sincere greetings to all the distinguished dignitaries on the dais, esteemed faculty members, committed non-teaching staff, respected parents, enthusiastic students, and all our esteemed invitees.

With the blessings of the Almighty and immense pride, I now take this opportunity to present the noteworthy endeavours, achievements, and milestones of the academic year 2024–2025 to this distinguished gathering.

Bon Secours College for Women, Thanjavur, founded in 2002 by the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Bon Secours, is dedicated to empowering underprivileged and rural women. Guided by the motto "**To Empower, To Change, To Live,"** it strives to foster quality education and transformation.

Founded in 2002, the college began its mission to empower economically disadvantaged and rural women. From 50 students and 3 departments, it has grown into a center of women education, now serving **3,419** students, 54% from rural areas.

The diverse student community highlights its stature as a leading institution in Thanjavur district, earning the following prestigious accreditations and recognitions for its commitment to educational empowerment. Over its 22-year journey, the college has expanded to offer

**20 undergraduate, 12 postgraduate, 4 doctoral programs and 100+ certificate** courses as value addition to curriculum.

#### In Recognition of Academic Milestones,

- The College is affiliated to Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, and recognized by UGC under 2(f) and 12 (B) in 2009 and 2011 respectively. And was accredited by **NAAC** with A+ grade (CGPA 3.34) in first cycle on 24.09.2014 and A++ grade (CGPA 3.71) in the second cycle on 14.12.2021.
- The University Grand Commission conferred **Autonomous Status** upon the College, effective from the academic year 2024, as of 2023.
- The College was ranked in the **150-200 band** in the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) continuously for both 2023 and 2024.
- The college was recognized by UGC as a Potential Mentor Institution under the Paramarsh Scheme, receiving ₹13,68,000 to support five NAAC-aspiring institutions. under our mentorship, Idhaya College for Women, Kumbakonam, and Sri Bharathi Arts and Science College, Pudukottai, achieved NAAC A+ and B+ grades, respectively, in Cycle I accreditation.
- The college was recognized under the **DBT Star College Programme** to strengthen Undergraduate Programs in Physics, Chemistry, Botany, and Biotechnology. A total grant of ₹ 1 crore 28.36 lakh was sanctioned for three years, with ₹82.36 lakh allocated for the first year. On June 3, 2024, 50% of the first-year grant (₹41.18 lakh) was released.
- In India Today Ranking 2024, the College Secured Second rank in Fashion Design, Sixth rank in BCA and Eighth rank in BBA stream under the category called College with Lowest Fee among top ten Colleges in India. Also the College secured different ranks in all the seven streams such as Arts, Science, Commerce, BBA, BCA, Social Work and Fashion Design.
- As a participating institution in the **Institution's Innovation Council (IIC)** under the Ministry of Education since 2020, the college has consistently demonstrated excellence in innovation and entrepreneurship. It achieved a 4-star rating out of 5 in

2022, 2023, and continues in 2024, recognizing its outstanding performance in IIC activities.

- The college secured Second Rank in the Naan Mudhalvan Scheme for its exceptional contributions to enhancing student employability across Tamil Nadu in 2023–2024. The award was received on August 16, 2024, by Secretary Rev. Dr. Sr. Mariammal from the Honorable Deputy Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru Udhayanidhi Stalin.
- Further, the College serves as a Study Centre for Indira Gandhi Open University and an NPTEL local chapter, promoting distance learning.
- As an active participant in the ICT Academy, it plays a key role in faculty development and skill training to student for promoting industry-skillset. Recognized for its commitment, the college received the Most Engaged Institution of the Year and MongoDB for Academia Partnership Certificate on July 23, 2024, and was honored as a Centre for Excellence for Youth Empowerment by Atos Prayas Foundation and ICT Academy on March 25, 2024.

#### Turning to Academic agenda,

The academic year 2024-25, commenced on **June 10, 2024**, for faculty members, July 3, 2024, for junior classes (preceded by a parents' meeting), and July 31, 2024, for senior classes. The academic initiatives were meticulously planned and effectively implemented by the faculty members, for effective curriculum delivery, learning teaching practices, assessment and evaluation of learning outcomes. The college's academic framework integrates curricular, co-curricular, extracurricular, research, and extension activities, fostering holistic development.

For the 2024-25 academic year, the college introduced **72 new certificate courses**, including **24 courses** in collaboration with the **Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) Technology Development Centre**, **Agra,** focusing on skill development, entrepreneurship, and related domains.

**As an Autonomous institution** from 2024-25, the college established Statutory Bodies including the Governing Body, Academic Council, Boards of Studies, and Finance Committee,

in accordance with UGC Regulations 2023. Additionally, key non-statutory committees such as the Examinations Cell, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Planning and Evaluation Committee, Grievance Redressal Committee, Admission Committee, Library Committee, Student Welfare, Internal Complaints, Extracurricular, and Academic Audit Committees were formed to ensure effective governance.

The Curriculum Development Cell, constituted on January 22, 2024, designed a design-thinking-based curriculum for first-year Undergraduate and Postgraduate students. The first Boards of Studies meetings for 18 departments were held from June 8–18, 2024, followed by the Academic Council meeting on June 22, 2024, Finance Committee on June 28, 2024, and Governing Body meeting on July 6, 2024. For the even semester, the Boards of Studies met from January 8–18, 2025, with the Academic Council on January 22, 2025, and the Governing Body on January 24, 2025.

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) plays the central role in institutionalizing quality culture, ensuring academic and administrative excellence. It conducted quarterly Quality Circle meetings on June 1, September 12, and December 18, 2024, to strategize and implement quality enhancement and sustenance initiatives for the 2024-25 academic year. As a quality initiative of the IQAC, Bon IAS Academy was established on 28.09.2024 for UPSC exams aspirants, Construction of a new building for the Examination Cell commenced on March 11, 2024, featuring all the amenities and advanced facilities as quality enhancement.

**To initiate academic engagements,** the college conducted the **UGC Deeksharambh** the Student Induction Programme from July 3–10, 2024, to help new students adjust, integrate, and connect with peers, faculty members, and the institution's culture. Additionally, **bridge courses** in English, Mathematics, Accounts, and Computer Science were offered from July 11- 24, 2024, to facilitate their transition from higher secondary to higher education.

**Freshers' Day** was celebrated on June 26, 2024, to warmly welcome the new entrants, and an Anti-Ragging Awareness Programme was conducted on July 29, 2024, as per UGC guidelines.

#### With Respect to College Student Council & Association Activities

The Bon Secours Student Arm, comprising the College Student Council and department-level associations, held **elections** from July 9–11, 2024, followed by the **investiture ceremony** on July 26, 2024. The Student Council actively organizes key events, including Freshers' Day, Teachers' Day, Transport Day, College Day, Farewell, Student Support Services, and various department-level activities.

**The college experienced the following** notable progress in curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular pursuits during this academic year.

#### In terms of Curricular & Co-Curricular accomplishment (2024-25)

As an Autonomous institution, a **Design-thinking-Based Curriculum** was developed and implemented for first-year students to enhance experiential and analytical learning approaches. And the curriculum is delivered through a diverse range of teaching and learning methodologies, including internships, fieldwork, industry visits, projects, seminars, conferences, workshops, training sessions, guest lectures, ICT-enabled instruction and many more. Additionally, it incorporates leadership training, research and development initiatives, skill enhancement programmes, career counselling, intellectual property rights (IPR) awareness, entrepreneurship training, and competitive examinations preparation.

The institution established partnerships with prestigious institutions and organizations to expand student internships, research opportunities, and collaborative programs, including:

- Jyoti Nivas College (Autonomous), Karnataka
- Teresian College, Karnataka
- St. Berchmans College (Autonomous), Kerala
- Vimala College (Autonomous), Thrissur
- Maris Stella College (Autonomous), Vijayawada

To date, 18 departments have conducted **271+** academic and administrative programmes for the academic year 2024-25, fostering Well-rounded student development within a cohesive learning model.

#### Noteworthy among these events are:

**DST-SERB** (Department of Science and Technology-Science & Engineering Research Board) sponsored Conference on Recent Advances in Material Science Research, National conference in Al and Emerging Trends in Fashion Designing, Innovation and E-Commerce, International conference on Tech-driven Commerce: Navigating challenges and seizing opportunities for social changes, and many more were conducted by various departments.

As **Experiential Learning Exercises** is one of the best practices of the institution, All departments organised industrial visits, internships, field work and visits in order to offer real time experiences at renowned institutions, including Pasteur Institute, Coonoor; National Institute of Technology (NIT), Tiruchirappalli; National Research Centre for Banana, Tiruchirappalli; National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM), Thanjavur; Central Electrochemical Research Institute (CECRI), Karaikudi; Madurai Kamaraj University; Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Eachankottai, Coimbatore; Mahabalipuram; Sittanavasal, among others. Additionally, students boarded on **Educational tours** to various destinations, including Bangalore, Mysore, Kerala, Kodaikanal, Ooty, Munnar, Cochin, and Udupi.

#### On the Co-curricular and Extracurricular front,

Students actively engaged in seminar, conferences, intercollegiate competitions, cultural festivals, debates, quizzes, and sports events, showcasing their skills and learning outcomes.

The College celebrated, "**Bon Fest 2k24**," the interdepartmental cultural fest, was held on 20.08.2024 & 21.08.2024. The Department of English secured the Overall Championship, while the Computer Science Department emerged as the Runner-Up in Bon-Festival 2k24, showcasing outstanding talent and competitive spirit.

**The Departmental intercollegiate meet** and competitions named Comfest, Captofest, Bizspark, Bio-utsav, were also conducted. **National Science Day** was celebrated on February 28, 2025, by all science departments under the theme "Empowering Indian Youth for Global Leadership in Science and Innovation for Viksit Bharat." The event featured science exhibitions and a lecture series highlighting the contributions of women scientists in research and development.

To discuss students' academic performance and progress with their parents, a **Parent-Teacher Meeting** was held on October 29, 2024, for the odd semester, with the even semester meeting scheduled for April 12, 2025.

These activities not only contributed to the personal and professional growth of the students but also fostered a dynamic and inclusive campus culture. The scholarly distinction of students, further enhancing the institution's reputation.

As a result of these activities, students have made significant progress in both their personal and professional domains.

**Some marked achievements of students include:** Two undergraduate students, from **Department of Tamil and Mathematics,** participated in the Thanjavur Book Festival organised by Thanjavur District Administration under the event "Vaacipai Necippom" on 27.07.2024.

The competition, organized as part of the festival, provided a platform for students to showcase their literary and analytical skills. They secured the First Prize, bringing recognition to the institution with an outstanding performance.

From **Department of English**, 25 students excelled at the Intercollegiate Literary Event - Lit Hit 25 "Thalassa" held at Bishop Heber College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli on February 19, 2025.

They secured Second Prize in Spell Bee, Face Painting, and Literary Quiz, Third Prize in Poem Writing, and clinched the **Overall Runner-up Award**, demonstrating their literary excellence.

Students from Department of Commerce outshined in intercollegiate events as follows,

- First Prize in Short Film at PEBO–2K24 (Idhaya College, Kumbakonam) Ms. S. Renuka, Ms. M. Varuna, Ms. R. Swathi, Ms. B. Thenumozhi, and Ms. R. Surya Prabha.
- Second Prize in HR Games at CISTA-2K25 (Periyar Maniammai Institute, Thanjavur) Ms. R. Janika.
- Runners-up in Corporate Walk at AVEEVA–2K25 (Sri Pushpam College, Poondi) Ms.
   E. Kasthuri, Ms. S. Kaviya, Ms. R. Manimekalai, Ms. K. Harini, Ms. S. Gayathri, Ms. V.
   Atchaya, Ms. S. Harini, and Ms. S. Renuka.

- Runner-up in Shark Tank at FINSPHERE 2K25 (SRM Institute of Science & Technology, Tiruchirapalli Campus - Ms. D. Tharika.
- First Prize in Poster Presentation at FINSPHERE 2K25 Ms. M. Logavarshini and Ms. R. Vasunthara.
- Ms. M. Sneha, Ms. A. Charis Maria Rose, and Ms. A. Rabiya Hassin presented research at Two-Day National Conference on Developing an Entrepreneurial Mindset for the 21st Century (NCDEM2K24), Srinivasan College of Arts & Science, Perambalur (24-25.09.2024).

**Students from the Department of Commerce with Computer Applications** excelled in various intercollegiate competitions, securing notable achievements.

- They won the Overall Championship at VAASAI2K25 (TUK Arts College, Thanjavur, 25.02.2025).
- Additionally, M. Yazhini, S. Ambika, S. Sharmila, and S. Rama Jayam clinched the
  Overall Championship in Mime at SYNERGIA 2K25 (J.J. College of Arts and Science,
  Pudukkottai, 07.02.2025), and the team of M. Yazhini, S. Ambika, M. Nithyadharshini,
  M. Hasmath Nisha, and S. Ramajayam secured the Overall Championship in Mime at
  TIJARA'25 (Rajagiri Dawood Batcha College, Papanasam, 08.02.2025).
- S. Mahalakshmi secured Runner-up in Melody Maestro in the Management Meet (Idhaya College for Women, Kumbakonam, 09.10.2024).
- Students also development an Application named, EduVance, a repository for learning resources, enabling to upload, and share learning materials for courses of study with user-friendly interface and secure document management.

**Students from Department of Management Studies** won the Overall Runner-up Championship at Enthusia 2K25 (Bon Secours Arts and Science College, Mannagudi, 25.02.2025).

 Furthermore, Ms. Soundarya Bala and Ms. Deshika earned Second Prize for their presentation on "Startups to Global Giants". Furthermore, Ms. Soundarya Bala and Ms. Deshika earned Second Prize for their presentation on "Startups to Global Giants".

- Other presentations included topics on digital transformation, risk management, and entrepreneurial leadership by Ms. A. Licy, Ms. P. Nirmaladevi, by Ms. A. Licy, Ms. P. Nirmaladevi, Ms. A. Aathishri, Ms. S. Santhiya, Ms. A. Rajeshwari, Ms. S. Sathya, and Ms. K. Subathra.
- Students showcased their talents at various intercollegiate competitions, earning prestigious recognitions. At PEBO-2K24, an Inter-Collegiate Meet held at Idhaya College for Women, Kumbakonam, on 09.10.2024, the team comprising S. Maheswari, P. Hema Alamelu, S. Sujitha, S. Raja Lakshmi, and R. Padhmasri secured the 3rd prize in the Mime event. Another team, including A. Rajeshwari, M. Divya, G. Bhavadharani, J. Rosina, and R. Sowndarya, excelled in the Corporate Walk event, winning the 2nd prize.
- Additionally, at GESTION-2K25, a Management Meet organized by the same institution on 19.02.2025, the team of P. Hema Alamelu, K. Priyadharshini, M. Bharatha, S. Akalya, E. Mamtha, and M. Swathi triumphed in the Mime event, securing the 1st prize.
- 9 students presented research at the TNSCST-sponsored National Seminar on Entrepreneurial Leadership (Segamalathayaar Educational Trust Women's College, 08.01.2025).

**From Department of Mathematics,** A total of 28 students participated in the conference "Recent Trends in Shaping the Future of Science and Technology" held at Bon Secours Arts & Science College for Women, Mannargudi, on February 12th and 13th, 2025 and presented their research outcomes.

**From Department of Physics,** the students participated in notable international and national conferences. At the International Conference on Advanced Perspectives in Materials Science (ICAPMS-25) on 07.01.2025, organized by Jamal Mohamed College (Autonomous), Ms. S. Harini, J. K. Vaishnavi, and Ms. S. Nisha (III B.Sc. Physics) presented their research, alongside Ms. A. Bharathi and Ms. P. Narmatha (II M.Sc. Physics).

At the National Conference on Recent Innovations in Nanomaterials for Environmental and Biomedical Applications (RINEBA-2025), held at A.V.V.M Sri Pushpam College, Ms. B. Megavathy (II M.Sc. Physics) and Ms. S. Varshini won Best Oral Presentation Award, while Ms. S. Bhuvaneshwari, P. Sathiya, R. Snekha, and P. Narmatha received the Best Poster

Presentation Award. Other 3 students also made significant contributions through their research presentations.

**Department of Chemistry students** Ms. J. Jerlin Vergina, Ms. M. Karthika Bharathi, Ms. S. Shamshitha, and Ms. R. Sharmila presented their research at the 9th International Conference on Recent Advances in Material Chemistry (ICRAMC-2025), hosted by SRM Institute of Science & Technology, Chennai (13.02.2025 to 15.02.2025), and received accolades for their work at the undergraduate level.

In intercollegiate competitions called Chemfesta-2025, organized by Jamal Mohamed College (Autonomous), Tiruchirapalli, on 24.01.2025, students from the Department of Chemistry showcased their talents and secured notable prizes. M. Shifana (III B.Sc. Chemistry) won the 1st Prize in Chem Capture, while L. Leena Albinus (III B.Sc. Chemistry), S. Jayashree (II B.Sc. Chemistry), and S. Gayathri (I B.Sc. Chemistry) secured the 3rd Prize in TickTock. Additionally, J. Shaheena Parveen (II B.Sc. Chemistry) won the 2nd Prize in ChemPoster.

S. Rajeswari and M. Suriyavardhini from **Department of Botany**, presented their research at the One-day International Conference on Recent Trends on Fungal Applications in Agriculture, Industry, and Biomedical Process, organized by Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai, on 25th October 2024.

**In Biotechnology**, M. Bhashira Thasneem, Ms. P. Dhanalakshmi, and Ms. S. F. Shahin received the Best Student Award at the event hosted by the Microbiology Society of India, Madurai Kamaraj University.

At the International Conference on Interdisciplinary Approaches in Biological Sciences
(27th September 2024, Srimati Indira Gandhi College), Ms. C. Vanathi, Ms. K. Rakshya
Lakshmi, and Ms. T. Shreen Mariyam presented their research. Additionally, at the
International Conference on Phytopharmaceuticals (ICPEPSH-2024) (25th-26th
September 2024, Sengamala Thayar Educational Trust Women's College), Ms. B. R.
Deva Ishwarya, Ms. R. Swathi, and Ms. D. Padmaja presented their studies.

#### Biotechnology students also excelled in intercollegiate competitions:

At ZEEMIRTH 2024 (Bharathidasan University, 09.10.2024), Ms. P. R. Neeharika and
 Ms. K. Sathya won 1st place in Aquascaping, Ms. A. Yashika won 2nd place in

- Caricature, Ms. G. Varshika secured 1st place in Patchup, and Ms. R. Kasthuri won 1st place in Marvel Clicks.
- At VITA FEST 2K24 (Srimad Andavan Arts and Science College, 23.08.2024), M.
   Bhashira Thasneem and Ms. G. Varshika won 2nd place in Facial Artistry.

C. Akshaya, A. Hasmira, and S. Safana Safrin, from **Department of Hospital Administration** presented their research on "Enhancement of Quality as the Big Leap in Achieving Growth in Healthcare" at the Conclave on Growth and Funding Strategies for Hospitals, organized by the South Indian Hospital Administrators Meet, Coimbatore, on 2nd February 2025. Their outstanding presentation earned them the II Prize along with a cash award of Rs. 3,750,

Ms. S. Jayasree *and* Ms. M. Mohana from **Department of Fashion technology and costume designing** presented their research *at the* Al–Driven Transformation in Fashion and Media: Pioneering Sustainable Innovation conference, organized by Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy, on 23rd January 2025.

**Department of Computer Science** students Ms. S. R. Gayathri and M. Umamaheshwari presented "Leveraging Blockchain Technology to Improve IoT Integrity and Privacy" at the National Conference on Data Science and Applications (NCDSA-2024), organized by Segamalathayaar Educational Trust Women's College, Mannargudi (23rd-24th September 2024).

- Additionally, A. Srivithya, G. Sathya, M. Veerapriya, and Pavetha won First Prize in MIME at Techwaves 2K24 (Maruthupandiyar College, Thanjavur, 10th September 2024).
- M. Afiya Serin and A. Basiriya Sirin secured First Prize in DUMB-C at CRYPTONIX 2K25 (RDB College of Arts and Science, 15th November 2024).
- A. Srivithya, G. Sathya, M. Veerapriya, Pavetha, and A. Anisathya won First Prize in MIME at both CRYPTONIX 2K25 (15th November 2024) and Techwaves 2K25 (TUK Arts College, Karanthai, 19th February 2025).
- J.Shpino was Runner-up in Solo Song at Techwaves 2K25 (TUK Arts College, Karanthai, 19th February 2025).

**Department of Computer Applications** students excelled in various technical and cultural events, securing notable achievements:

- Ms. B. Asmitha won Third Prize in Debugging at TECHWAVES (Maruthupandiyar College, Thanjavur, 10.09.2024).
- At NEOTREX'24 (M.A.M College of Engineering, Trichy, 26.10.2024), Ms. B. Neethu and Ms. K. Keerthana secured Third Prize in Code Fix, while Ms. R.S. Oviya and Ms. S. Yogeshwari won Third Prize in Webots.
- Ms. S. Bavadharani, Ms. R. Kalpana, Ms. V.S. Melvin Jose, and Ms. D. Charusri won Third Prize in Adzap at IT-WIZARD (J.J. College of Arts and Science, Pudukkottai, 14.08.2024).
- At Technofrenzy'25 (Radbiammal Ahamed College, 07.02.2025), Ms. G. Rasika, Ms. P. Rathi, Ms. K. Arthi, Ms. V. Kavinaya, and Ms. D. Keerthiga won Second Prize in Western Dance.
- At CRYPTONIX 2K25 (Rajagiri Dawood Batcha College, 15.02.2025), Ms. D. Keerthiga, Ms. J. Jayapratha, Ms. V. Sushantika, and Ms. D. Charusri won First Prize in Group Dance, while other students earned multiple prizes in Riddle The Code, Quiz, and Debugging.
- At Techies'25 (Tamilavel Umamaheswaranar Karanthai Arts College, Thanjavur, 19.02.2025), Ms. G. Dhanushya, Ms. S. Dhiva Dharshini, Ms. R. Gobika, and Ms. M. Madhumitha won First Prize in Adzap, and Ms. M. Thaslima Barveen secured First Prize in PPT Presentation.

**The Annual Sports Meet** of the college was held on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024 aimed at fostering sportsmanship among students and providing them with a platform to showcase their athletic spirit. The remarkable achievements of students in sports and games include:

**At the International Level,** Ms. C. Devadharshini (I MBA) secured Third Place in the 2nd International Open Karate Championship 2024, organized by the National Karate Federation at Periyar Institute of Science & Technology, Thanjavur from 02.08.2024 to 04.08.2024.

**At the National Level,** Ms. A. S. Sivasudar (I B.Sc Computer Science) achieved Fourth Place in Yogasanas at the National Level Yoga Competition, organized by TNPESU & Tamil Nadu Yoga Committee at TNPESU, Chennai on 24.11.2024.

Demonstrating excellence **at the State Level**, she also secured First Place in Yogasanas at the Yogi Raja Rajamanickam Memorial State-Level Yoga Competition, held at Periyar Maniammai University, Thanjavur on 12.10.2024.

**Bharathidasan University Inter-Collegiate Tournaments:** Our College Yogasanas Team participated in the Bharathidasan University Inter-Collegiate Yogasanas Tournament at Srimath Andavar College, Trichy, on 17.12.2024, where Ms. A. S. Sivasudar was selected to represent Bharathidasan University in the All India Inter-University Yogasanas Tournament at Kalinga Institute, Bhubaneswar, from 24.12.2024 to 26.12.2024.

Additionally, our College Karate Team secured the Runner-up position in the Bharathidasan University Inter-Collegiate Karate Tournament at Urumu Dhanalakshmi College, Trichy, on 25.02.2025. Individual achievements included Ms. K. Sanakkiya (I BCA) winning a Gold Medal in Kumite (U-48Kg), Ms. C. Devadharshini (I MBA) securing a Silver Medal in Kumite (U-55Kg), and Ms. R. Roshini (II B.Sc Biotechnology) earning a Silver Medal in Kata (U-50Kg).

In the Chief Minister's Trophy, Ms. P. Arthi (III B.Sc Biotechnology) secured a Gold Medal in Silambam, earning a ₹3,000 cash prize and a spot at the State Level. Silver Medalists included Ms. B. Annapoorani (III B.Sc Physics) in Badminton, Ms. A. Abinaya Sri (II B.Com) in Shot Put, Ms. A. Grace (II IT) in the 200m race, and Ms. S. Asina Frithouse (II B.Sc Biotechnology) in High Jump, each receiving a ₹2,000 cash prize.

Bronze Medalists were Ms. S. Gunavarthini (II M.Sc Computer Science) in Boxing, earning ₹2,000 and a State-Level selection, and Ms. V. Infant Marsiya (II B.Com) in the 200m race, winning ₹1,000. In team events, the Football Team and Cricket Team secured Third Place, winning ₹18,000 and ₹15,000, respectively.

The Athletics Team also showcased commendable performances across multiple events. A total of ₹47,000 was awarded in the District-Level Chief Minister's Trophy tournament. In state-level selections, five students qualified for the Cricket tournament, two students

for Kabaddi, one student for Football, and two students for Hockey, showcasing exceptional talent and dedication in their respective sports Open Tournaments. *These achievements demonstrate the students' versatility, technical skills, creativity, and teamwork and elevate the reputation of the institution extensively.* 

#### To the realm of Research and Development

The college submitted 12 proposals for conferences, seminars, and research to funding to agencies viz. DST-SERB, Indian Council for Historical Research, National Human Rights Commission, and Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology. The Department of Physics received ₹52,000 from DST-SERB for organizing the "Recent Advances in Material Science Research" conference on 21 & 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2025, while other proposals are waiting for results.

The Research and Development and IPR Cells organized a seminar on "Effective Scientific and Technological Research Paper Writing - Phase I" and an online workshop on Intellectual Property Rights & Patents in collaboration with the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Intellectual Property Management, Government of India, on 27.02.2025.

During the 2024-25 academic year, **14 research** outcomes were published in journals indexed in Web of Science, Scopus, and UGC Care. Faculty members published **5 books**, **4 book chapters**, **and published 1 patent and granted** 2. Additionally, **53** research outcomes were presented at national and international conferences.

Further, Students from the Departments of Social work and Biotechnology submitted research proposals under the **Tamil Nadu Fellowship for Tribal Studies**, aiming to explore socio-economic challenges, traditional wisdom, and migration patterns among tribal communities.

#### In the sphere of fostering innovation, creativity, and entrepreneurship,

The college is committed to offering personalized education and Entrepreneurial Development programmes for aspiring entrepreneurs. The **Bon Secours Foundation for Entrepreneurship Development (BSFED), a registered Incubation Centre**, fosters innovation in collaboration with organizations like Startup TN, EDII Tamil Nadu, and Centre

for Entrepreneurship Development and Incubation, NIT Trichy, offering internships and entrepreneurial opportunities.

BSFED has integrated ONDC into its initiatives, onboarding 40 small-scale startups onto the Bon E-Mart platform for the 2024-25 academic year, boosting their digital market presence.

#### **Key activities include:**

- Manager Hustle 2024 (December 17, 2024, Centre for Entrepreneurship Development and Incubation, NIT Trichy).
- Agriculture and Food Processing Growth Summit & Expo 2025 (January 3-4, 2025),
   with 10 incubatees exhibiting products.
- National Conference on Biotechnology & Sustainability (January 7, 2025, St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli), featuring 5 student incubatees.
- Drone Technology Training (February 12, 2025, by Yali Aerospace).
- Startup Bootcamp (February 14, 2025), engaging 40 incubatees and 80 student startups.
- Startup Success Story by Mr. Aadhan Yogi (February 13, 2025) and BMC Workshop (February 17, 2025).

**Totally,** with these diverse range of academic practices, the college is also deeply committed at great extend to supporting students in securing placements, pursuing higher studies, and engaging in research in order to translate and transact their learning outcomes in their life effectively.

Hence, the Training and Placement Cell organized the Career Kickstarter Workshop by LinkedIn on 25.07.2024, the UPSC Aspirants Meet 2024 on 30.07.2024, and a Career Guidance Programme in collaboration with Veranda Race on 01.08.2024. The Placement Drive was organised on February 26, 2025, drawing participation from 25 recruiters across diverse sectors. A total of 1,125 students participated, resulting in 1037 job offers being extended and 323 are shortlisted.

**Recognizing teachers** as the cornerstone of the institution, various development and enrichment programmes were organized to enhance their teaching, research, and discipline-specific knowledge. Faculty Development Programmes covered topics such as Outcome-

Based Education, Al Tools, Analytical Techniques, Systematic Research, Biotechnology for Entrepreneurship, Indian Traditional Knowledge etc.

As a result of continuous enrichment of educators, our teachers received the following **recognitions**,

- Mr. T. Joseph Pandian, Professor in English, received the Thagasal Semmal Viruthu from Our Lady of Health Shrine Basilica, Velankanni on 13.12.2024 for his dedication to social services.
- **Dr.M.Florence Dayana**, Assistant Professor in Computer Applications, was honoured with the Nation Builder Award by the Rotary Club of Thanjavur Diwas on 08.09.2024.
- **Dr.S.Sathya**, Assistant Professor in Tamil, received Sudaroli Award from Rajapalayam Mahizhachi FM for her Poetry.
- Dr. K. Shibila, Assistant Professor and Head in English, was awarded the Educationist Award for Excellence in Teaching by the Inner Wheel India Literacy Mission on 01.10.2024.
- Dr.G.Aghalya, Assistant Professor and Head in History, received the National Teaching Excellence Award 2024 from I2OR, under the Ministry of MSME, Government of India, on 11.11.2024.
- **Dr. S.Sivaranjani,** Assistant Professor and Head in Biotechnology, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Biotechnology, won the Best Research Excellence Award.
- Ms.S.Nagasundari, Assistant Professor in Fashion technology and Costume designing, earned the International Pride World Record for "Nattiya Prathachanam" from BS Rocks Events on 11.01.2025, in recognition of the efforts of over 2,000 Bharatanatyam dancers.

**Additionally,** the following Faculty members shared their expertise as a Resource person, chair, and trainer, in various programmes organized by different institutions.

- **Dr. K. Shibila** served as a Resource Person at Queens College for Women, Thanjavur, delivering a seminar titled "Exploring Literary Realms" on 24.01.2025.
- **Dr.K.Bharathipriya,** Assistant Professor and Head served as the resource person to the Indian Council of Social Science Research Sponsored National Level Seminar on Employability Impact on Naan Mudhalvan Skills Development Courses In Higher

- Education In Tamil Nadu Under The Theme 'Vision Viksit Bharat @ 2047' on 07.02.2025 conducted by Rajah Serfoji Government College (Autonomous), Thanjavur and delivered an expert talk on Women's Leadership at Workplace.
- Dr.G.Agalya, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of History served as a Resource Person for a Live Video Counselling Session in Tamil Language for the SWAYAM PRABHA DTH Channel, organized by Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) Regional Centre, Madurai, on September 27, 2024,
- **Dr. K. Punitha Devi** Assistant Professor and Head, Department of commerce with computer applications served as a Resource Person for a 5-day workshop on "Entrepreneurship", organized by SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Tiruchirappalli, on 23.07.2024.
- Dr.Sr.Delphina Mary, Assistant Professor and Head in Social work, delivered a session on "Pros & Cons of Social Media" at St. Joseph's Matriculation Hr. Sec School, Vilar, Thanjavur, on 05.02.2024.
- Ms. L. Lindsey Jessica, Assistant Professor in Social work conducted a session on "Gender Health Care" at SHED INDIA on 02.02.2025, focusing on gender-sensitive health education.
- Additionally, Sr. Mercy Emalda, Assistant Professor in Social work motivated students with her talk on "Future Goals" at Siragugal Special School, Thanjavur, on 08.01.2025, inspiring them towards academic and personal success.
- Dr. Sr. K. Christy Rani, Assistant Professor in Mathematics delivered a presentations entitled "Upper Square Free Detour Number of Graphs" at Science Conclave 2024 (SCICON2024 Hybrid), hosted by Auxilium College of Arts and Science for Women, Regunathapuram, on December 12-13, 2024, where she received the Best Paper Presentation Award.
- Dr. M. Karthika, Assistant Professor and Head in Physics and Ms. A. Sudha, Asst. Professor of Physics acted as a Chairperson in the National Conference on Recent Innovations in Nanomaterials for Environmental and Biomedical Applications (RINEBA-2025) organized by PG & Research Department of Physics, A.V.V.M Sri Pushpam College(A) & Raman Research Foundation Trichy on 17.02.2025 18.02.2025.

- Ms. J. Princess Gracia, Assistant Professor of Chemistry served as a resource person
   Enathi Rajappa Arts and Science College, Pattukottai and delivered a lecture on

   Sustainable Synthesis Principles and Applications in Green Chemistry on 11.09.2024
- **Dr. R. Kalaivani,** Assistant Professor in Biotechnology served as resource person in the 32nd District-Level Guide Teachers Training on Sustainable Water and Sanitation Management, organized by the Tamil Nadu Science Forum under National Children Science Congress at Raja Serfoji Government College (Autonomous), Thanjavur, on 12th November 2024, where she shared insights on "Traditional and Recent Technologies in Water Conservation.
- **Dr. S. Sivaranjani,** Assistant Professor and Head in Biotechnology delivered an expert talk on Nanotechnology at Srimad Andavan Arts and Science College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, on 31st December 2024, discussing "Green Synthesis of Silver Nanoparticles and Its Eco-friendly Approach."
- Additionally, Dr. S. V. Bakiya Lakshmi, Assistant Professor in Biotechnology was
  featured in This Week Star Programme on All India Radio, Tiruchirappalli, on 26th
  October 2024, highlighting her expertise in Value-Added Product Development from
  Traditional Rice Varieties. These achievements underscore their contributions to
  research, education, and societal development.
- **Dr. S. Sahana,** Assistant Professor in Computer Science served as a Resource Person for the Techno Thursday program organized by Tamil University on 21st November 2024 and shared her expertise in IoT, Al, and Human-Computer Interaction.

**Towards Fostering Social Responsibility in Students:** The college not only imparts academic knowledge but also shapes students into responsible, contributing members of society by promoting good citizenship, empathy, and social responsibility. Opportunities for community service, ethical behaviour, and inclusivity help prepare students to make positive contributions to their communities.

18 Departments and all PART V committees and clubs of the college actively engaged students in various community outreach programmes viz. Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' (plant one tree in Mother's name), Swacchhata Hi Seva National Voter's Day awareness, Yoga for healthy Life, Saving Scheme in Bank, Social media awareness campaign, Eye camp, etc. during the academic year 2024-25.

**Furthermore,** Ms.M.Sindhuja, NSS Programme Officer, as a Contingent Leader and NSS Student, Ms.Charusri, II BCA participated in the National Integration Camp from 15.01.2025 to 21.01.2025 organised by Gulbarga University, Kalaburagi, Karnataka.

The college adopted 5 villages under **Unnat Bhart Abhiyan**, the flagship programme of Ministry of Education, Government of India to bring transformational changes in rural community via educational and research institutions.

- In the academic year 2024-25, the college received ₹1,00,000/- for project entitled,
   Startup India Promotion of Rural Centric Women Entrepreneurship Promotion with
   Virtual Centre under Capacity Building, Strategy for Convergence and
   Implementation of Various Govt. Schemes.
- Received two projects under Customization of Technology worth a total of ₹1,00,000/under SEG-Rural Livelihood and Entrepreneurship Development for upcycling textile
  wastes and making reversible coconut jewellery.

For its commendable social responsibility efforts, the college received several recognitions during the academic year 2024-25, including:

Letters of Appreciation was awarded by SHED India, Thanjavur, and Siragugal Special
 School in recognition of the Extension Programme conducted by students.

**In respect to the best practices of the institution, BON-Student Support Services (BON-SSS)** operate on the principle "For the Student, by the Student, of the Student. It extends financial aid to deserving students, especially those from rural backgrounds, regardless of caste, creed, or religion. The services include,

- I CAN: Fund via Fairs programme organized by the students themselves as the sellers and buyers to help their own needy fellow students. I CAN Phase I was conducted on 11.09.2024 and Phase II on 13.02.2025.
- **SAFE**: Students Assistance Fund for Education is another charitable activity initiated by the Students Welfare Committee for the welfare of the poor and deserving students to meet their education needs.

• **MANNA**: Mid-day meal programme is yet another student welfare fund intends providing lunch to the students who leave their homes very early and return home very late as they are coming from long distances.

In 2024-25, 161 students are benefitted in the odd semester with worth of Rs.1,61,000 and 160 students in even semester Rs.1,73,400 under I CAN. Under SAFE scheme financial support is extended for deserving students with the worth of Rs. 2, 48,998 for this academic year, 56 students are benefitted under MANNA. In addition 208 students are benefitted under Government scholarship and 582 under Puthumai pengal scheme in 2024-25. Under the Adaikala Management Scholarship, 11 students have benefited, receiving a total of Rs. 2,20,000. Other supports include orphan adoption, earn-while-learn, and alumnae concessions, ensuring that finance is not a barrier to women's education and empowerment.

**BON ETHOS EDIFICE** is our Institution's Distinctiveness promoting Discipline; Value based education; and Social Responsibility through,

- 1. **Yoga and Meditation:** Classes held on 18.07.24 in collaboration with Heartfulness for physical and mental fitness.
- 2. Shalom Spiritual Retreats and Moral classes held on 18.09.2024 & 19.09.2024.
- 3. **The Give Back Society (GBS)** promotes social responsibility through twelve committees, including NSS, UBA, YRC, RRC, ExNoRa, Rotaract, and more, through various outreach programmes.
- 4. Additionally, festivals like Teachers' Day, Diwali, Christmas, and others are celebrated with unity and diversity.

**Thus,** the institution fosters a conducive environment for outcome-based education, providing various opportunities for students to demonstrate their learning and skills. As a result, our students achieved outstanding academic success, securing a **96% pass percentage** in the End Semester University Examinations. Moreover, At the undergraduate level, they attained **121 university ranks**, while postgraduate students secured **57 ranks**, including **7 first ranks**, **7 second ranks**, and **4 third ranks**. Additionally, they earned **5 gold medals**, reflecting their exceptional performance in the 2023-24 Bharathidasan University Examinations.

This accomplishment underscores our commitment to on-going progress and academic

excellence. Hence, Bon Secours College for Women (Autonomous), Thanjavur, remains

dedicated to empowering women through quality education.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the Board of Management, Executive Members, and

the entire Bon Secours College community for their unwavering support in strengthening

our institution. I deeply appreciate the dedication and commitment of our faculty,

administrative, and support staff in upholding academic excellence.

My heartfelt thanks to the College Student Council, department associations, students, and

parents for their invaluable contributions to the institution's growth while preserving its

distinctive identity.

A special acknowledgment to our well-wishers, academicians, and educationists for their

invaluable guidance and support during pivotal time.

Thank you all!

**Quality Continues....** 

#### **PROGRAMMES OFFERED**

#### **UG PROGRAMMES**

- B.Com.
- B.Com. C.A.
- B.B.A.
- B.A. English
- B.A. Tamil
- B.S.W.
- B.A. History
- B.L.I.S.
- B.Sc. Physics
- B.Sc. Chemistry
- B.Sc. Botany
- B.Sc. Biotechnology
- B.Sc. Mathematics
- B.Sc. Hospital Administration
- B.Sc. Fashion Technology & Costume Designing
- B.Sc. Computer Science
- B.Sc. Information Technology
- B.Sc. Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
- B.Sc. Data Science
- B.C.A.

#### **PG PROGRAMME**

- M.Com.
- M.Com. CA
- M.B.A.
- M.A. English
- M.A. Tamil
- M.S.W.
- M.Sc. Mathematics
- M.Sc. Physics
- M.Sc. Chemistry
- M.Sc. Biotechnology
- M.Sc. Fashion Technology & Costume Designing
- M.Sc. Computer Science

#### **RESEARCH PROGRAMMES - Ph.D.**

- Commerce
- Management
- English
- Biotechnology

