BON SECOURS COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, THANJAVUR. PG & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH Report on the Online FDP - (18.05.2020 - 20.05.2020) <u>"Use Of Modern Technology In Promoting Learning During Covid-19".</u>

"Technology can't replace great teachers but technology in the hands of great teachers can be transformational."

The role of technology is indispensable in this era of digitalisation. It's not that we use technology, we live technology. Adequate technical knowledge can aid us to serve with ease and comfort. Though the whole world is locked under the roof, it is the technology that connects us, gives us hope and keeps us alive. It is the right time that we should update ourselves to the latest trend & technologies; otherwise we can't cope up with the present scenario & challenges.

As an initiative of creating an experience and exposure to the faculty members, a three day Faculty Development Programme was organised by the Department Of English from 18.05.2020 to 20.05.2020 on the topic, "Use Of Modern Technology In Promoting Learning During Covid-19".

With the blessings of our Secretary Rev. Dr. Sr. Mariammal and our Principal Rev. Dr. Sr. Cathelina, all the three days of the online FDP started sharply at 10:30 am. Number of Faculty of Bon Secours College for Women and various other colleges participated in the program through Google Meet App. Each day's session started with the Invocation, followed by the welcome address and introduction of the resource person and the topic of session.



First Day Session - (18.02.2020) was addressed by Dr. P. Duvaraganathan, Assistant Professor, Department Of Humanities & Science, Rajalakshmi Engineering College, Thandalam, Chennai on the topic, **"Promoting Learning Among Staff Members."** The speaker shared loads of information and guided the participants on the areas to be focused in order to update our skills and potentials. As the noble task of imparting quality education is in the hands of the teachers, he concluded his address by highlighting that the teachers should be like water in making the students community fertile & productive.

The second Day Session - (19.02.2020) started formally. Dr. S. Ganesan, Associate Professor, Department Of English, H.H.The Rajah's College, Pudukkottai, was the resource person of the day. He addressed the participants on the topic, **"Promoting Learning In Communicative Skill."** The crucial role of communication skills in the job market and the challenges faced by the students due to lack of communication skills were presented to the participants. The session concluded by highlighting numerous recommendations to overcome the communication barriers.

The Third Day Session - (20.05.2020) was addressed by Dr. G. Venkatraman, Senior Assistant Professor of English, Sastra University, Thanjavur on the topic, **"Inculcating The Habit Of Using Modern Technology In Learning."** The speaker insisted that technology alone isn't going to improve student's achievement. The best combination is great teachers working with technology in engaging students in the pursuit of the learning they need.

All the three days of the online FDP was organised as per planned. At the end of all the three day's session, participants had their interaction with the speaker of the day and got their queries clarified. They also shared their feedback. Dr. Liberata Maria Lucas, Head, Department Of English, proposed the vote of thanks at the end of all the sessions. A Good number of faculties from various institution enthusiastically participated in all the sessions of the programme.

E-Certificates was issued to all the active participants. The program successfully ended with the technical support and the team effort of all the faculty members of the department.
