



ST CYRIL'S  
COLLEGE,  
ADOOR

ANNUAL  
REPORT 2019-20

## **PROFILE OF THE INSTITUTION**

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Registered name	St Cyril's College, Adoor.
Established	1981
Motto	Hope, Faith and Charity
Type of Institution	Government Aided Arts and Science College
Affiliation	Affiliated to the University of Kerala
Accreditation Status	Re-Accredited by NAAC with B Grade in 2018
Management	Adoor- Kadampanad Diocese
UG Programmes	5
PG Programmes	2
Student Strength	591
Male	408
Female	183
Teaching Staff	18
Guest Faculty	9
Non-teaching staff	7

# About the Institution

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St. Cyril's College, situated on the Cyril's Mount, yearns to impart wisdom and knowledge to those who seek it, thereby bringing an immense impact on society. The college is founded by the Late Lamented His Holiness Mathews II to propagate education and enlightenment to the community.. The College started in November 1981 as a Junior College affiliated to the University of Kerala. The College is recognized under section 2(f) and 12(B)of the UGC Act of 1956. It had gained the Minority Status in 2011. The college offers Post Graduate courses in Physics, English and Degree courses in Chemistry, History, English, Economics and Commerce. In the year 2012 the college was accredited by NAAC with 'B' grade. It is one of the Malankara Orthodox Colleges established and administered by the Malankara Syrian Orthodox Church, Adoor -Kadampanad Diocese in accordance with the rights of the minority community guaranteed in the constitution of India. The college got B Grade with a grade point of 2.2 in the second NAAC assessment on November,2019.

St Cyril's College has made an indelible impression in the rural background it is placed, touching and moulding the lives of many. It is located in Kilivayal, Adoor a rustic vicinity remote from the humdrums of urban lifestyle. The institution with its humble beginnings tries to impart education to the less advantaged students in the society. The Management and Staff of the college is engrossed in the overall achievement of its students and is obligated to help them achieve the same. The college seek for a sustainable development of the community as well as the college fraternity.

## Our Vision

An educated, spiritually enlightened community can eradicate ignorance and evils in the society

## Our Mission

Uplifting women through higher education and bringing them into the main stream.

## Programmes Offered

### Undergraduate Programmes

Sl.no.	Name of Programme	ARTS COMPLEMENTARY COURSES	SANCTIONED STRENGTH
1	BA ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE	1. History of English Literature	40
		2. Political Science	
2	BA ECONOMICS	1. History	30
		2. Politics	
3.	B A History	1. Economics	50
		2. Politics	
		COMMERCE	
3	B.Com with Computer Applications	Managerial Economics, Business Mathematics, Mathematics	24
		<b>SCIENCE</b>	
4	B.Sc Chemistry	Physics, Maths	26
	<b>Post Graduate Programmes</b>		
5	M.Sc Physics	Optional subject : Electronics	13
6.	MA English		20

## **Cocurricular and Curricular Achievements 2019 -20**

The teaching-learning process is the most important procedure in college that helps the student attain a bachelor's or master's degree. The faculty of the college tries to facilitate and support the educational process through lecture methods, smart classes, seminars, ICT-enabled teaching, etc. The class tests and internal monitoring system help analyze the student's academic performance. The academic year began with an induction program for the second- and final-year students under the guidance of department heads and the counsel of the principal. The departments also undertake bridge courses to facilitate the first-year students into their subject curriculum.

The activities of the college were geared up by the NSS volunteers by commemorating International Yoga Day. The all-round development of the students—both academic and psycho-somatic; interaction of mind and body—is the prima facie of the college and its faculty. The various clubs, physical education department, add-on courses, and departmental activities cater much more to students' mental abilities than munching up the syllabus.

### **Admission**

The first-year degree classes began on July 1. The students were welcomed by the concerned departments, who familiarized them with the syllabus. There was an induction program on July 8 for first-year students and their parents to inculcate in them the possibilities of higher education.

The session was inaugurated by Dr. Alexander Jacob, IPS, and he proposed a motivational speech on how to excel in studies and gain success in life.



### 1. Principal in Charge

The college reopened on June 6, 2019. Dr. A. K Thomas, HOD, Department of Physics, takes charge as Principal of the college on May 30, 2019 from Prof. Anitha Thomas, HOD, Department of Chemistry.

### 2. University Examination Results 2019-20

Department	No.of Students Attended	No.of Students Passed	Pass Percentage
MA English	15	15	100
MSc Physics	13	12	92
B.Sc Chemistry	25	14	52
BA Economics	28	20	71.4
B.Com	31	19	63.33
BA History	39	10	25.74
BA English	36	21	67.7

### Student Progression

Sl.no.	Name of the Course/Department	Total no. of Students	Employed	Higher Studies
1.	MA English	15	1	14
2.	M.Sc Physics	13	1	1
3.	BA History	39	1	5
4.	BA Economics	28	5	6
5.	B.Sc Chemistry	25	Nil	3
6.	BA English	32	1	19
7.	B.Com	34	Nil	9

### 3. Student's Achievements

- The NSS volunteers Jithu Jerome and Mohammed Rafeeq bagged first and third places on the topic of drug use and abuse in the Taluk-level competition conducted by the excise department on June 22.



- Roshni Wilson (MA English) and Nainu N. S. (M.Sc. Physics) bagged the first prize in the district-level wildlife quiz competition conducted by the Kerala Forest Department on October 3, 2019.





- Abu Thahir got a gold medal in the Taekwondo Senior State Championship held at Thrissur on October 28, 2019.
- The cricket team of the college won the university championship against UIT Pathanapuram held at NSS College, Pandalam, on October 13.



- Sajan S, II year BA English, attended the Republic Day camp representing the state and participated in the march on January 26.
- Althaf Shajahan won gold, Ajmal Shaji won bronze, and Midhun MM won bronze in the Kerala University Taekwondo Championship.



- Four students cleared the NET exam (English): 2 students doing MA, Anjukrishnan and Akhila Chandran, and 2 from the previous batch, Treeshma Titus and Deepthi S.

#### 4. Achievement of Teachers

In 2019-20 three teachers defended their thesis and procured Ph.D in their concerned subjects:

1. **Dr. Susan Alexander**, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of English.
2. **Dr. Nisha Mathew**, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English.
3. **Dr. Siji Rachel George**, Hod, Dept. of Politics.



#### Career Guidance and Students' Placement

The college encompasses the career enhancement of its students through job fairs and career placement cells. The students are given awareness on various PSC/UPSC exams and jobs in banking sector. The Department of History conducts PSC coaching classes and the Department of Commerce enhances the entrepreneurial skill through its ED club.

## An Overview of the major Curricular and Co- Curricular Activities 2019-20

### **1. Seminars and Workshops**

1. The Department of Physics organized a one-day intercollegiate seminar on the topic of relativistic quantum mechanics as part of the *Meet the Expert* program. The resource person was Dr. Moncy V. John, former associate professor, Department of Physics, St. Thomas College, Kozhencherry, on November 23 at 10.30 a.m.
2. A National workshop was conducted on 6 September 2019, by Dr R Selvam, consultant for NAAC Accreditation process and Former Head, Department of Zoology, Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirapally.



3. A workshop was conducted by the PG Department of English on CBCSS career-related syllabus revision on August 3. The Chairperson of the Board of Studies, Dr. Suja Kurup P.L., delivered the key note, and Dr. Swapna Gopinath, Editor, was the speaker of the session.



4. The Department of Commerce organized a Best Manager Contest conducted by GIIMS, Cochin, and a Career Counseling Session on October 17.

5. On November 15, as part of the community upliftment program, the NSS volunteers distributed study kits to the nursery school in Kilivayal, which is part of the NSS adopted village.
6. The Best Physique Championship of Kerala University, titled Mr. Kerala University, was hosted by the college in the auditorium at 4 p.m. on December 2. Chittayam Gopakumar, MLA, inaugurated the function, and G. Jayadev, District Police Officer, was the special guest. Around 400 participants competed in the program. The championship was convened by the English Department.
7. An interdisciplinary seminar, Insight 2020: Arts and Science Exhibition, was organized by the collaboration of the Departments of Physics, History, and Chemistry on January 29 January. The Department of Physics, in order to inculcate and develop curiosity in students, organized a skywatch at 7 p.m.



8. The college union 'Kanal' literally provided the spark of life to the students of the college with their vibrant activities. As a curtain-raiser, the union conducted its union inauguration on January 28. Renowned film director Saji Palamel inaugurated the union activities for the year 2019–2020, and popular singer and star singer Job Kurien inaugurated the arts club of the union.



9. The PG Department of English coordinated a National Seminar on February 28 and 29, entitled *Theory Spectrum*, inaugurated by Dr. R. Subramony, Madura College, Madurai and Dr Saji Mathew, Assistant Professor, School of Letters , Kottayam.. There were lectures on various disciplines in theory and criticism and paper presentations. Teachers, students, and scholars attended the seminar.



10. A National Seminar was organized on 'National Science Day 2020' by the Department of Chemistry in collaboration with the Department of Physics and supported by KSCSTE on February 10.
11. The Department of Economics arranged their association program by the Inauguration of the Cyrilian Economic Association on February 11.



12. On May 15, the Department of Economics arranged a webinar on 'Financial Sector Reforms in India' by Dr. Pradeep Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Government College, Ambalapuzha.
13. The PG Department of English conducted an international webinar on artificial intelligence by Dr. Sujith Mangalathu, Research Scientist, University of California, Atlanta, on May 25.
14. The situation demanded counselling and mental strength to live under lockdown, so the PG Department of English conducted a National Webinar on May 30 on *Positive Communication Beyond Pandemic Grief* by Dr. Arindam Das, Corporate and Creative Communication specialist, Alliance University, Bangalore.

### **Research Publications**

- ✚ Dr. Runcy Wilson published a book titled *Materials for Potential EMI Shielding Applications*,
- ✚ Dr. John Major Thomas published a book on *Production and Marketing of the Malayalam Film Industry and Banking and Insurance*.

### **Extension Activities**

1. The extension activity of the Physics Department 'Candela 2020' was organized on January 9, teaching school students the basic concepts of Physics.
2. The PG Department of English provided an extension activity on November 21 at Baselius Mathews II College of Engineering, Sasthamcotta. The Hard Rain poster exhibition was the highlight of the program. The MA students of the department explained the posters to the audience.



3. The Department of Chemistry organised two extension activities, such as the quality analysis of Drinking water and Hand Sanitiser Making. The sanitizers were distributed in the community.
4. The Department of Commerce conducted the “*Snehasparsham*” by visiting the Angel’s Home Residential School for the differentially abled children.



5. The Department of Economics distributed LED bulbs in the community as part of the Energy Conservation Programme.
6. The Department of History conducted an archival exhibition for the community in collaboration with the Kerala State Archives, thereby

creating an awareness among the people of the community on commemorating the past and history for future generations.

7. Insight, Science exhibition, conducted by the Department of Physics, for the surrounding school children of Adoor to instil in them the love of science and nature.
8. A Sky watch was arranged by the Department of Physics for the community and the staff and students of the college.
9. NSS distributed books to the Anganvadi students on Reading Day, imparting in them a love for books.
10. The NSS volunteers handed over the flood relief materials to P. B. Nooh, Collector, Pathanamthitta, on August 22, 2019.

### PTA 2019-20

The Parents-Teachers Association (PTA) aims for a reciprocal relationship between parents and teachers, which can help the wholesome development of students. The induction program for the first year and the general body meeting comprising all the parents are the highlights of this year. Prof. Mini Mathew is the secretary of the PTA. Prof. Rosamma Philip, Principal, Mount Tabor Training College, Pathanapuram, delivered a speech on 'Responsible Parenthood' at the general body meeting of the PTA on November 22, 2019 at 10.30 a.m.

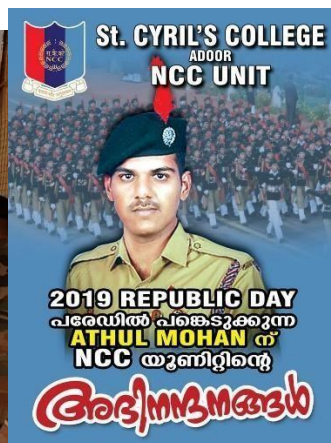
### Alumni Activities

Dr O C Promod, Assistant Professor, Department of History was selected as the Convenor of College Level alumni Association. The representatives of the association include Mr Kannappan as the President , Adv Jayakanth(Secretary). A joint meeting of the Alumni was conducted on 21 December 2019 , Dr A K Thomas, Principal, presided over the function and the former faculty attended the function, Prof D K John, Dr Varghese Perayil, Prof John M George, Prof Annamma Idicheria, and Prof Mariamma John. The meeting took a resolution to register the association under the Kerala State Registration Department.



## NSS and NCC

The college gives equal importance to the curricular and cocurricular activities of the students. Outside of the syllabus and study curriculum, the students are compulsorily asked to participate in NSS, NCC, and other club activities that will help them in their all-round development and also in their career advancement. The NSS program officers, Ms. Shiny Kochummen and Dr. John Major Thomas, conduct work camps, social service activities, and community development extension activities for the students. The Associate NCC Officer, Prof.Lt. Dr. Baiju P. Jose, is in charge of the Army Wing Coy No. 5 of this college. Athul Mohan of I BA English participated in the Republic Day parade at New Delhi.



NSS students prepared a wall hanging for World Youth Skills Day on July 16. On July 18, Radio Mango, sponsored by the State Resource Centre (SRC), launched a short film festival for college students titled 'Shot Film' to recognize the works of young aspiring minds. They came with branded vehicles that will travel across Kerala and visit educational institutions. There were interactive fun games for the students, and winners were rewarded. The NSS volunteers undertook activities under the 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' by cleaning and tidying the college premises.



Environment Day was celebrated by planting a sapling by Dr. A. K Thomas, Principal, on June 5.

### **Department /Club Activities**

- The college activities can be divided into teacher-oriented and student-oriented activities, where the beneficiary is always the student community. The state government facilitated and funded Walk with the Scholar (WWS) and Scholar Support Programme (SSP) to cater to the needs of both the intelligent and the below-average students, respectively. The WWS coordinator is Dr. Alen S, and the SSP is Ms. Elizabeth George.
- The college also has a remedial coaching and tutorial system to stabilize the teaching and learning process. Through remedial coaching, the teachers focus on the students who, for various reasons, couldn't attend the regular classes. The exceptional students are also assigned to help their friends. The tutorial system helps the students identify their inner talents. All departments conduct tutorial systems to enhance the subject knowledge and creativity of their students. The Department of English conducts tutorials on all Thursdays where students present book reviews, commemorate the birth anniversaries' of poets, recite poems, and also come out with elegant speeches. They are also given the opportunity to present art and craft items made by them—vases from broken bottles, flower making, etc.
- The activities of the associations of various departments—ELSA (English Literature Students Association), Chemwave (Chemistry) Cyrilian

Economics Association, Ignite (Commerce Association), etc.—also improve the skills of the students.



Inauguration of Economics Association

- The DLMC, CLMC, and ICC (Internal Complaints Committee) take care to redress the complaints of the students. The Women's Cell conducts classes for the female wards on personal cleanliness and women's empowerment. The 'Thanal' gives counseling to the students to make them mentally strong and bring out their vibrant energy.
- The college celebrated Onam with traditional fervor on September 5, teachers and students wore the traditional setmundu with jasmine flowers. The flower carpet was drawn in all departments; there was sadhya with payasam. Different games were held for both students and teachers. The Onam vacation was from September 6–15.



- The University of Kerala, in its Notification No. Election/CU/2019-20 dated August 17, 2019, announced the date for conducting college union elections as September 27, 2019. General elections were conducted for the posts of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, General Secretary, University Union Councillors, Editor of the Magazine, Lady Representatives, Second Year UG Rep, and First Year U G Rep. The candidates for the posts of Arts Club Secretary, Third Year UG Rep, Second Year PG Rep, and First Year UG Rep were unanimously elected. Ms. Nisha Mathew is the staff advisor and college union election convenor.
- ‘Speak for India’, a debate competition, was organized for young minds on



September 28 in the College Auditorium.



- On October 2, Mahatma Gandhi's 150th birth anniversary was remembered by cleaning the campus (Sevanavaram). On October 11, the NSS volunteers participated in the Palliative Care Program at the Senate Chamber, Kerala University, Palayam.
- MGOCSM, a religious minority group, holds prayer meetings and Bible reading sessions every Friday afternoon. Dr. Runcy Wilson is the secretary of the movement. All Orthodox community members are part of the movement.



- The NSS unit of the college conducted the inauguration of the Vimukhti Club, held in the college auditorium on October 16, the club aims to educate the students on the harmful hazards of drug abuse.



- The MOC (Malankara Orthodox Colleges) Annual Academic Conference for college teachers was held at Baselius College, Kottayam, on November 30. The teachers of the college participated. The university exams of the odd semester (S5 and S1 PG) began in November.

- On December 1, the NSS volunteers observed AIDS Day.
- NSS, in association with the District Social Justice Department, organized an International Human Rights Day on December 10. Srimati Shamla Beegum J., Officer, Department of Social Justice, inaugurated the function. Sri R. Jose, DYSP Special Branch, Pathanamthitta, was the special guest. The class was taken by Adv. Prakash P. Thomas on the topic of human rights and social justice.
- Christmas celebrations were organized with great pomp and grandeur. The Christmas programs were scheduled for December 19. In the morning, the whole college participated, and in the afternoon, the staff club arranged programs for teachers. The college closed for holidays from December 20 to 30.
- The 7-day camp for the NSS volunteers began from December 20 to 26. The valedictory function was inaugurated by Sri Chittayam Gopakumar, MLA.



- The NSS volunteers, along with the pollution control board, cleaned rooms in Pampa and also raised awareness among the people on December 27.
- The Science Forum organized the Third Intercollegiate APJ Abdul Kalam Quiz Competition on January 13, convened by both the Physics and Chemistry departments.



- The MGOCSM conducted the Mar Baselius Mathews II Essay Competition for the students on January 17.
- The NSS unit of the college inaugurated the Palliative Care Unit on January 18.
- The Department of Physics conducted a contest to select the beautiful, brilliant minds for the SCC Physics Luminary on January 23.



- The Founder's Day, commemoration of His Holiness Moran Mar Baselios Marthoma Mathews II, was celebrated by visiting and participating in the meeting held at Mount Horeb Chappel at 10 a.m. on January 27.



- The arts day of the college was conducted from February 10–14, 2020. The union members, under the leadership of A. R. Rohan, the Arts Club Secretary, were on their heels, planning the various items to be included in the youth festival titled Ranthal 2020. The students made a short film during this special camp.
- The college fraternity paid respect to the retiring faculty by organizing a farewell party on February 17. Principal Dr. AK Thomas, Prof. Daisy Mathew, HOD, History Department, and three of the non-teaching staff—Mr. Saji P. John (H.A.), Mr. Joseph P.T. (Clerk), and Mr. Koshy G. (Clerk)—were retiring this academic year.



- A film festival was conducted to entertain the students and relieve them from the onus of the heavy and taxing academics. The union members, with the permission of the principal and the guidance of the staff advisor, conducted a film festival on February 27, 2020.
- The sports day was conducted from March 2, 2020, to March 6, 2020, under the leadership of Sports Secretary Ananthu. Competitions were held in football, cricket, badminton, and indoor games too.
- Due to the rising cases of the COVID pandemic, the college was closed, and exams were postponed until March 18. Teachers and students switched the learning mode to online classes.
- The NSS delegates helped the district medical mission on March 29 to bring down the viral spread.

- The medium of knowledge interaction and seminars took to the smaller screen and virtual apps; the departments started the call for online webinars.

The academic year thus came to a close; the first year post-NAAC visit has been the threshold for the activities and accomplishments to follow. Dr. AK Thomas Principal retired on May 31 after 24 years of service.

## **Conclusion**

The academic year 2019-20 was a highly productive year that helped both teachers and students achieve their best. In today's scenario, the teaching and learning process has to be done in the most innovative and distinct manner. The staff of St. Cyril's College pledges to work for the students of the college and also for the social welfare of the people of Kilivayal, which helps in the sustainable development of the college.

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