The Career & Placement Cell Bishop Chulaparambil Memorial College, Kottayam

Report 2020-21

The Career & Placement Cell of Bishop Chulaparambil Memorial College takes initiative to organize career guidance sessions and placement programmes for students of all streams every year. Programmes meant for the whole college as well as special sessions in association with various Departmental associations are organized at the initiative of the Cell. During 2020-21, in spite of the Covid pandemic, the Cell initiated many career orientation programmes. Taking the advantage of online facilities, the Cell itself and in association with various departments and external agencies organized a number of programmes.

Like every year, a committee of teachers was constituted for leading the activities of the Career and Placement Cell. The Career & Placement Cell of 2020-21 academic year was formed with the following staff members:

- Dr. Ipe Varughese [HoD, Department of Social Work]
- Mrs. Emi Mathew [Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology]
- Ms. Ann Mariya Simon [Assistant Professor on Contract, Department of English]
- Ms. Harsha Thomas [Assistant Professor on Contract, Department of Commerce]

Programmes Initiated in 2020-21

• On 26th May 2020, the Career Guidance Cell and the Food Science Department jointly organized a Google meet for a lecture on 'Food Designs: Innovation and Creation & Career Opportunities' which was taken by Dr. K.K Zachariah, Former Director of CFTRI, Mysore. The webinar mainly focused on the innovation in food products, creation of food designs and career opportunities in this field. 72 students attended the webinar.

- The Department of Commerce and the Placement Cell jointly organized a webinar on the topic "Career Opportunities in Indian Private Banks" in association with the Bankedge Academy for banking and finance on 27th June 2020. The session was taken by the Founder of Bankedge Academy Mr. Shankar Sundareeshan. It was informative so that the students got the opportunity to clear their doubts regarding the various opportunities in the private banking sector.
- An International Webinar was organized by IQAC, the Career Guidance Cell and the Department of Physics on 11thSeptember 2020 on the topic "Higher Studies Opportunities in Europe". The resource person Ms. Viktoria Bodnarova, is the second Regional Representative of EURAXESS Latin America and Caribbean. This International webinar was streamed live through YouTube.
- The Department of English and Career cell organized the webinar "Career Abroad" in association with Canapprove Consultancy Services, Kottayam. The session was conducted via Zoom on Oct 1st, 2020. Ms. Sapna Joseph (BM Kottayam Canapprove) and Ms. Ragima Anand (Manager -overseas education) were the key speakers. The webinar gave detailed insights into the various career options abroad for graduates with Arts and Science Degrees.
- The Department of Commerce (SF) & the Career Guidance Cell conducted a webinar on 20th October, 2020 on the topic "Different Entrepreneurship Program Policies for Women". The session was handled by Mr. Lorence Mathew, working with the Government of Kerala as Industrial Extension Officer. He talked about Entrepreneurship promotion, policies and encouraged students to start something of their own.
- The Commerce Department arranged a career guidance programme via Google meet on 3rd November in association with the Invisor Global Education. Invisor Institute is an innovative private career institute, offering a wide range of career-focused programmes in business, finance and accounts, technology & analytics. The session was handled by Mr. Geevar Thambi, Academic Director of Invisor Institute. Mr. Navab Rajan, Advisor of Invisor institute also took part in the session.

- The Department of Computer Science organized a career guidance talk on November 11, 2020. Ms Angitha Jessis of the Computer Science Department handled the session.
- The Career Guidance Cell and the Department of English conducted a ten-day crash course for the students to prepare them for competitive exams. The programme was conducted from December 7 to 17, 2020. All the students of the final year batch took part in this endeavour and the classes were dealt by Ms. Aneha Hepzibah Solomon. As a second part of this, a 10 day crash course was conducted between March 10-20, 2021. It was also handled by Ms. Aneha Hepzibah Solomon. The students were familiarized with the theoretical aspects of Literature. Further, MCQ tests, group discussions, timer quiz were conducted to analyse the efficiency attained by the students.
- Like every year, the Department of Mathematics offered a certificate course in 'Introductory Mathematics for Competitive Exams'. It was conducted online from 15/02/2021 to 24/3/2021. 15-hour theory classes and 15 problem solving sessions were there. Ms. Jintumol K.U was the teacher in charge. 43 students attended the course.
- In order to facilitate a better understanding about the future opportunities in Chemistry, the Department of Chemistry and the Career Guidance Cell organized a career guidance class on 21 March 2021 on the topic 'Subject Enrichment & Future Scopes in Chemistry'. The class was taken by Dr. Vibin Ipe Thomas, Assistant Professor, CMS College, Kottayam.