



# The MarThomanian Herald

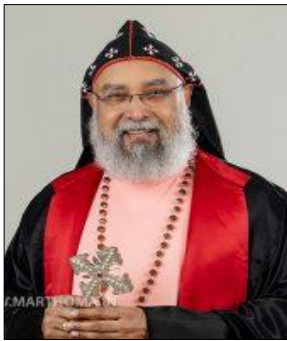
**Mar Thoma College for Women, Perumbavoor**

Affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam. Re-accredited by NAAC with 'A+' Grade.

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**Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos**  
Manager

(Assumed the office on 01 January 2024)



**Ms. Sherin T Abraham**  
Principal-in-Charge

(Assumed the office on 07 December 2023)

## About the College

Mar Thoma College for Women, since its inception in 1982, has been striving towards excellence in all spheres of higher education, catering to the educational requirements of women from various parts of the state. The college has played an instrumental role in the progress of the locality, contributing proactively to its growth and development.

Over the years, the student strength has almost doubled and various new courses, including two PG courses, integrated PG courses and B. Voc. courses, have been introduced to cater the increasing needs of higher education in the region. Besides the regular courses, the college also conducts various certificate courses and vocational training programmes. These endeavors have hugely benefited our students who, in turn, contribute proactively to the welfare of the local community, thus contributing to its development.

## From the Principal's desk

Dear all,

As we set about to reflect on the accomplishments of the past quadrimester, I am filled with pride in the collective achievements of our students, faculty, and staff. In our latest assessment of NAAC, our college has achieved an outstanding A+ grade. This accomplishment is a testament to the dedication, hard work, and exceptional abilities of our students, faculty, and staff. From academic excellence to community engagement, our commitment to fostering a supportive and inclusive learning environment continues to shine brightly. I commend each of you for your dedication, resilience, and passion for learning, which have propelled us forward in our pursuit of excellence. As we look ahead to the coming months, let us remain steadfast in our commitment to personal growth, academic success, and positive impact. Together, we will continue to inspire, innovate, and make a difference in the world.

Warm regards,  
Sherin T Abraham

**Our Motto: 'Truth shall make you free'**

NAAC Peer Team Visit 2023



National Accreditation and Assessment Council (NAAC) Peer Team, constituting of Prof. Dr. Madhulita Kaushik (Vice Chancellor, Usha Martin University, Jharkhand),



Dr. Sushma Sharma (Professor, Himachal Pradesh University), and Dr. Raju Munghate (Principal, Shri Govindrao Munghate


Arts and Science College, Kurkheda, Gadchiroli Dist., Maharashtra) visited the institution on 2 and 3 November 2023. The



team interacted with and appreciated the significant contributions made by the management, staff, PTA, alumni and students towards the progress of the college. The cultural extravaganza by the students on the diversity of the nation enriched the ambience of the visit.



Following the assesment, the college was granted **A+ Grade** with **CGPA 3.47** in its fourth cycle of accreditation.





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## Certificate of Accreditation

*The Executive Committee of the  
 National Assessment and Accreditation Council  
 is pleased to declare  
 Mar Thoma College for Women  
 Perumbavoor, Dist. Ernakulam,  
 affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala as  
 Accredited  
 with CGPA of 3.47 on four point scale  
 at A+ grade  
 valid up to November 24, 2028*

Date: November 25, 2023

Director



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## Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

- A seven-day Faculty Development Programme on “Curriculum Framework in Line with NEP 2020, OBE and AI Advancements”



was organised by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell in association with The Kerala State Higher Education

Council from 12 to 19 October 2023. Dr. Mendus Jacob, Dr. Sunil Job K. A., Dr. Suresh Namboothiri and Dr. Shefeeque V. served as resource persons for different sessions. Sessions were delivered through synchronous-asynchronous hybrid mode. 2137 participants and 985 institutions from 27 States and 2 Union Territories in



India, along with two international participants, one each from Ghana and Somali, registered for the programme. 654 participants accessed both the online sessions and the LMS platform. The remaining 1490 participants attended the online sessions alone.

- A workshop on “FYUGP in Kerala: Role of Affiliated Colleges”



was organised on 18 December 2023. Dr. Shefeeque V., Research Officer on Special Duty, KSHE Reforms Implementation Cell, served as the resource person.

- Live webcast of the inaugural session of ViksitBharat@2047

was arranged in the college on 11 December 2023. All students participated and watched the session by the Prime Minister P. M. Narendra Modi explaining the vision of Government of India to make India a developed nation by 2047, the 100th year of its independence.



## Department of Chemistry

- A workshop on the preparation of alcohol based sanitizers, following the WHO guidelines on their composition and formulation,

was conducted on 1 November 2023 under the guidance of Dr. Anu Joy. The prepared sanitizers were distributed among the students.



- A talk on “Medical Coding and Medical Scribing” was organised on 25 January 2024. Ms. Jishna P., Transorze Solutions, Ernakulam, served as the resource person.



- A workshop on Water Quality Analysis was conducted on 29 January 2024. Dr. Sr. Jennees



Mathew, Assistant Professor, Morning Star Home Science College,

Angamaly, led the hands-on training in analysing various parameters of water quality.





Department of Commerce

Finance & Taxation

- An orientation class on Certified Management Accountant (CMA) Course was conducted in association with The Institute of Cost and Works Accountants - Cochin Chapter



on 12 December 2023. CMA K. M. Babu, an expert in the field of management accounting, served as the resource person.

- As part of the Entrepreneurial Talk Series, the Entrepreneurship Development Club organised an interactive session with Sri. Stephen M.D, Managing Director, Nutricreams Pvt. Ltd. on 13 December 2023.



- Students of II B. Com. were taken for an Industrial Visit to Nutri Creams Private Limited, Chelamattom (Producers of Camerry Ice cream).



- Students and teachers visited Jesus Bhavan Old Age Home at Manguzhi near Koovappady on 22 December 2023. Cash and groceries worth Rs. 10000/- were donated as part of the community outreach programme.



- The Entrepreneurship Development Club in association with Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) organised a session on



'Entrepreneurship and Innovation as a Career Opportunity' on 15 January 2024. The resource person for the session was Ms. Serene Anna Sam, Innovation Ambassador and Asst. Professor, Dept of Commerce, Mar Thoma College for Women, Perumbavoor.

Computer Applications



- In connection with the MoU signed between the Department of Commerce (Computer Application), Mar Thoma College for Women, Perumbavoor, and Department of Commerce, St. Kuriakose College, Kuruppampady, a faculty exchange programme was arranged from October 9 to 11, and sessions on Cost Accounting were engaged.





## Department of English

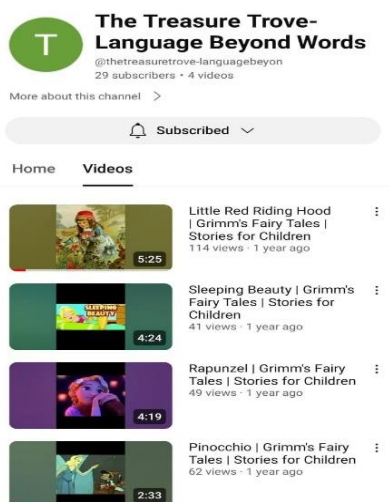
- The **English Research Forum** and **English Association** jointly organised an **invited lecture** on "Disability Studies: An Introduction through Narratives" on 15 December 2023. The lecture was delivered by Ms. Reeba Sara Koshy, Guest Lecturer, St. Thomas College, Kozhencherry.



- The **English Research Forum** organised a **workshop on Research Methodology**, titled "Academic Writing: Modes and Matter" on 19 January 2024. Dr. Smitha M., Assistant professor, Maharaja's College, Ernakulam, served as the resource person.



- The **YouTube Channel of Incandescence Language Consultancy Services** "The Treasure Trove" was launched on 19 January 2024 by Dr. Smitha M., Assistant professor, Maharaja's College, Ernakulam.



## Department of History

- Three-day National Seminar on "Doing Local history: Archaeology and Historical Perspective from Global South"** was organised from 10 to 12 October 2023. Mr. Ahmed



Deverkovil, Minister of Ports, Museum, Archaeology and Archives, and Prof. Pious Malekandathil, Retired Professor, Centre for Historical Studies, JNU, inaugurated the programme.



- Students participated in a **Heritage walk** to Iringole Kavu and Nagamcheri Mana on 05 December 2023.



- A **field trip** to Edakkal Caves Wayanad was conducted for I B.A. History students as part of Orientation Programme on 15 December 2023.



- Students of III B.A. History attended **On-the-Job Training** at Department of Archaeology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom Campus, from 15-21 January 2024.



## Department of Mathematics



- An **outreach programme** ‘Mathematics in Real Life’ was organised at Asram HSS, Govt. Girls HSS, and MGM HSS, Kuruppampady, on 3 and 5 January 2024. B. Sc. Mathematics final year students explained mathematical problems connected to real life, to higher secondary students. A quiz was also conducted.



- A **workshop on ‘Python Programming’** was held on 16 December 2023 at the IeLT. Ms. Dinumol Philip, Assistant Professor, School of Computer Science, De Paul Institute of Science and Technology was the resource person.



## Department of Physics

- An expert talk on ‘Exploring Space through Rockets’ was organised in association with **Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Trivandrum**, on 06 October



2023 as part of World Space Week celebration. Mr. Abhilash K.P., Division Head and Deputy Project Director, Gaganyaan Project, VSSC served as the resource person.



- As part of **Energy Conservation Day**, programmes such as Orientation for Mothers on Energy Conservation, Workshop on Energy Efficient Devices, and fabrication of LED stars and LED bulbs were held on 14 December 2023. Mr. M P Mani, Secretary, Energy Conservation Society, Perumbavoor Chapter, served as the resource person. Students made LED stars and LED bulbs which were put for sale.



- An ‘**Umbrella Making Workshop**’ was held on 15 December 2023. Ms. Sandra P.S., II B.Sc. Physics, trained the students to make umbrellas.



## Department of Physics

- Students and faculty of the department visited **Deivadan Centre**, Malayattoor, on 19 December 2023. The profit from LED star and bulb sales was donated to the centre.



- A **Workshop on 'Future Scope of Robotics'** was organised in association with **I-Hub Research and Robotics Private Limited** on 12 October 2023. Mr. Gokul T.S. and Mr. Eldho Abraham Baby (I-Hub Research and Robotics Private Limited) led the session.



- Workshop on 'Introduction to technology-IR 4.0 Technology Trends and Essential Skills'** in association with **IIC and ICT Academy Kerala**, was held on 11 October 2023. Ms. Maya Mohan, Knowledge Officer, ICT Academy Kerala served as the resource person.



## Department of Zoology

- Inauguration of Zoology Association** was held on 6 October 2023. It was followed by an interactive talk on **"Onto the Lap of Nature"** by Mr. Benoy R. regarding the challenges and excitements in the journey of a wildlife photographer.



- A **workshop on Design Thinking, Critical Thinking and Innovation Design** was organised in association with **IIC and ED Club** on 19 January 2024.

- A session on **Research orientation** was held on 12 December 2023. Ms. Supriya Susan Kurian, College Librarian, served as the resource person.



- A session on **Product Development Training** (for science students) was arranged in association with **Zaara Biotech and IIC** on 14 December 2023.





## Department of Zoology

- **Poster exhibition and flash mob** were held at Perumbavoor KSRTC Bus Stand in association with the Department of Social Forestry to draw public attention to the importance of wildlife conservation.



- **Health Club** of the Department of Zoology organised a **Cancer Awareness Programme** on 12 October 2023 in association with NSS and **Career Guidance Cell**. Dr. Philip George Kuttikat served as the resource person.
- A session on Health and Hygiene was organised by the **Health Club** on 26 October 2024 in association with **Saroj Devi Foundation** and **YRC**. Ms. Remya M. B., Nutrition Advisor, was the resource person.
- A **drawing competition** was held as part of observance of AIDS Day on 1 December 2023.



## College Union & Arts Club

- **Inauguration of College Union and Arts club** was held on 16 November 2023. The gifted children and staff of **Santhawanam Special School, Kothamangalam**, were the chief guests to the occasion.



- **Inauguration and Distribution of Prof. Dr. Aleyamma Saji Varghese Memorial Scholarship 2023-24** was held on 10 October 2023 under the joint auspices of College Union and the Department of Zoology. Honourable Justice Benjamin Koshy, chief guest of the event, inaugurated the ceremony with his inspiring words. The scholarship schemes were introduced by Rev. Johnson Varghese, following which eligible students received the amount from the chief guest.





### National Cadet Corps (NCC)

- As part of **Gandhi Jayanti celebrations**, NCC cadets performed a mime on the theme 'Gandhi's Dream India' and organized a pencil drawing competition on 'Gandhi's Vision' on 3 October 2023.



- As part of **Republic Day celebrations**, flag hoisting and parade was arranged on 26 January 2024. Ms. Sherin T. Abraham, Principal, hoisted the national flag and delivered the Republic Day message.



- The **NCC cadets and NSS volunteers** offered their services during the Akhila Kerala Special School Christmas Skit Competition *Nilamanju* conducted by the Kodanad *Janakeeya Koottaima* on 09 December 2024 at Kodanad.



### National Service Scheme (NSS)

- As part of the **School Adoption project**, our NSS Unit provided four green boards to Asram LP School, Perumbavoor, on Children's Day, 14 November 2023.



- Volunteers attended and presented **AIDS awareness** posters at the State IEC Van Campaign organised by Kerala State Aids Control Society on 7 December 2023 at Perumbavoor.



- NSS Unit No. 57, in association with YWCA, Perumbavoor, organised an **awareness class on Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights** on 03 January 2024.



- Inauguration of **Snehaved House Construction project** was done by Ms. Sherin T. Abraham, Principal, on 25 January 2024 at Kaduval, Perumbavoor. NSS Programme Officers, volunteers, IQAC Coordinator, PTA members, and faculty attended the function.





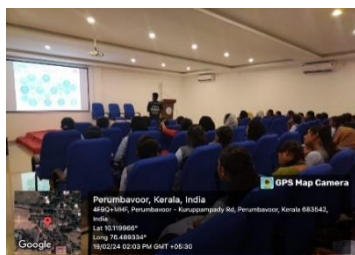
## Innovation & Entrepreneurship Development Centre (IEDC)

- **IEDC** in association with **IIC** and **ED Club** organised a **session on ‘Be an Entrepreneur’** on 17 January 2024. Mr. Eldhose P. Sim, Assistant Professor and Nodal Officer of IEDC, Adi Sankara Institute of Engineering and Technology, Kalady, served as the resource person.



## Institution’s Innovation Council (IIC)

- Four faculty members attended and presented a poster in the **IIC Regional Meet** organised by MoE’s Innovation Cell and AICTE, at Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi, on 16 January 2024.
- Mr. Gopikrishna S Nair, Guest Lecturer, Department of Mathematics attended an exclusive **One-day Bootcamp** on Machine Learning with TensorFlow by the ICT Academy of Kerala in partnership with India Edu Program - Google for Developers on 22 November 2023 at ICT Academy Learning Centre, Infopark Koratty.
- Orientation sessions on **Young Innovators Programme 6.0** (YIP 6.0 Ideation and YIP 6.0 Ideathon) were organised on 4 January and 19 February 2024.
- Workshops and talks were arranged in association with various departments, IEDC and ED club.



## Alumni Association

- **Alumni Meet 2024** was organised on 26 January 2024. Dr. Manjula R. Iyer (Pre degree 1990-92 batch), Associate Professor, Chinmaya Deemed to be University, Piravom, was the chief guest of the meeting.



## Students Christian Movement (SCM)

- **41<sup>st</sup> Founder’s Day** celebrations were held on 28 November 2023. Holy Communion was arranged in the college chapel at 8 am, following which a public meeting was held at the college auditorium. Very Rev. Mathew John, Vicar General, Rev. Abby K Joshua, Secretary of MTEA, and Adv. Eldhose Kunnappilly, MLA, were the chief guests for the occasion.
- The **Christmas Carol Service** of the College was held on 21 December 2023 at the College Auditorium. Rt. Rev. Dr. Mathews Mar Anthemose Metropolitan, Bishop of Muvattupuzha Diocese, Jacobite Syrian Church, was the chief guest and delivered a heart throbbing message on the importance of values in the context of Christmas. The college choir under the leadership of Mr. Jiju Johny presented mesmerizing Christmas carols.





### Career Guidance & Placement Cell

- A **mega job fair** titled "Udyog 23 - Thozhil Mela" was organized by the Career Guidance and Placement Cell in collaboration with the District Employment Exchange, Ernakulam on 14 October 2023. Mr. Eldhose Kunnappilly, MLA, inaugurated the event. 1400 candidates registered for the event, out of which 106 got direct selection to various posts, while 450 were shortlisted for further procedures.



- The Career Guidance and Placement cell organised an **Investor Awareness Programme** in Association with **FinEdu Connect, Kochi**, on 9 November 2023. Dr. Vineeth K. M., Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Govt. College, Thripunithura, served as the resource person.



- The Career Guidance and Placement cell organised a workshop on **Strategic Studying: Crafting your Exam Preparation** was arranged in association with **Jeevani** on 13 December 2023. Ms. Radhika Lal, Assistant Professor, Department of History, SSV College, Valayanchirangara, was the resource person.



- The Career Guidance and Placement Cell successfully organized a **Public Service Commission (PSC) Registration Campaign** from 13 to 21 December 2023.



### Electoral Literacy Club

- Inauguration of the Electoral Literacy Club** was done by Mr. George Joseph, Electoral Registration Officer & Tahsildar, Kunnathunad, on 09 November 2023. **Voter Helpline Mobile App** was introduced to the students by Mr. Sajeev Bhaskaran, Assistant Electoral Registration Officer and Deputy Tahsildar.



- Electoral Literacy Club in association with Kerala Sahitya Parishad organised a **one day seminar** on the topic *Prajayil ninnu Powranilekku: Janadhipathyathe Munnirathi oru Ashayasamvaadham* ("From Subject to Citizen: A Discourse on Indian Constitution") on 13 December 2023. Dr. Sebastian Paul, ex- M.P. and social activist, served as the resource person. A book exhibition cum sale was also arranged along as part of the seminar.



## Student Achievements

- Ms. Sikha K. Binoy of B. Voc. Renewable Energy and Technology (2019-22) received **Chief Minister's Student Excellence Award 2021-22** in recognition of the Meritorious Achievement in the UG examination. The award includes a scholarship of Rs. One Lakh and citation.



- Following students of the Postgraduate department of Zoology presented papers at the National Seminar on 'Biosustainability: Concerns and Challenges' organised by the Biodiversity Club and Department of Botany, Vimala College, Thrissur, on 12 December 2023:
  - Surya Sasi presented a paper on 'Analysis Of Water Quality Parameters in Kakkad Stream Thiruvankulam in Ernakulam District' and received **First Prize** in paper presentation competition.
  - Anakha Murali presented a paper on 'A Comparative Study on the Diversity of Spiders in Iringole Kavu Sacred Groove and Mar Thoma College Campus, and Architecture of Spider Web,' and received **Second Prize**.

- Krishnapriya Babu presented a paper on 'Study On Dragonfly Diversity in the Nearby Areas of Kanjar River in Idukki'.
- Gopika Vijayan presented a paper on 'A Preliminary Study on Diverse Microorganisms Present in Soil and its Active Role in Biodegradation'.

- Farsana P M (M.Sc. Mathematics 2021-23 Batch) secured **10<sup>th</sup> rank** in M.Sc. Mathematics Programme of Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam.



- Ms. Manjari D Bhattathiri (II Integrated M.Sc. Programme in Physics) and Ms. Gouri Krishnakumar (I B.Sc. Physics) secured **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prizes** in the preliminary round of power quiz conducted by Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB) and were selected for the second round conducted at U.C College, Aluva, on 09 January 2024.
- A paper titled "'Mapping the Interface between Couture and Disability: Problematic Encounters and Contested Sites in Fashion and Consumer Culture'" was presented by Ms. Sanjana S of II BA English at the International Conference on "Fashioned Bodies: Couture to Counter-Fashion", held at Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha, on 11 and 12 January 2024.



### Student Achievements

- The college table tennis team won the **M.G. University Inter collegiate Table Tennis Championship 2023-24** held at Mar Thoma College for Women, Perumbavoor.



- Abhaya G., Anamika Johns, and Anekha were selected to MG University Table Tennis Team, and participated in the **South Zone Inter University Table Tennis Championship** held at AMET University, Chennai.



- Anekha K. won the **Bronze medal** in the **Kerala State Table Tennis Championship 2023**.



- Arya R., Rejitha K L , Namitha K., and Jisha Jaimon were selected to M.G. University Cricket Team which won the **South Zone Inter University Cricket Tournament 2023-24**.



- Abaya G. got selected to Kerala State Table Tennis Team and participated in the **National Table Tennis Championship 2023**. She bagged two **silver medals** in the **Kerala State Table Tennis Championship 2023**.



### Faculty Achievements

- Ms. Chaithanya Elsa Achankunju, Assistant Professor, Department of English served as a the resource person for Transitional Curriculum Orientation Class on Empathy and Respecting Conduct for newly admitted BAMS students at Nangeli Ayurveda Medical College, Kothamangalam on 16 November 2023.
- Lt. Dr. Sangeetha Rachel Koruth, Assistant Professor, chaired a session on "Politics of Gifts" at the Symposium on "Revisiting *The Mahabharata*" held at Union Christian College, Aluva on 8 January 2024 as part of the linkage with Dept. of English, Mar Thoma College for Women, Perumbavoor.
- Dr. Jismy Varghese, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, presented a paper titled "Some Results on Italian Domination Number" in the International Conference on Graph Theory and its Applications held at Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Coimbatore, from 18-20 December 2023.
- Ms. Roshin T. Roy, Assistant Professor, Department of English, presented a paper on "Mapping the Corporeal: Novel Dramaturgical Experiments in Abheesh Sasidharan's *Floating Bodies*" at the International Theatre Conference organised by School of Drama, Thrissur, on 29 January 2024.
- The first Ph.D. Scholar under the supervision of Dr. Vinod V., Assistant Professor, Department of History, got registered at MG University, Kottayam, with Maharajas College, Ernakulam, as Research Centre.

### New Appointment

- Mr. Gopikrishna S. Nair was appointed as Assistant Professor in the Department of Mathematics on 5 January 2024.



### Newly Added Facilities



Basketball Court



Cricket Ground planted with Pearl Grass



Table Tennis Court



Zoology Museum



Renovated Board Room



Renovated Seminar Hall

### Participation in Nava Kerala Sadas

- Students and faculty participated in Nava Kerala Sadas organised by Government of Kerala at Perumbavoor on 10 December 2023.



### Editorial Board

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