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Good morning, esteemed guests, faculty, and students,

It is a momentous occasion as we gather to celebrate the 12th Annual Day of Don Bosco College, Yelagiri Hills. We are privileged to have amidst us two distinguished luminaries from Thiruvalluvar University—Prof. Dr. J. Senthil Velmurugan, the esteemed Registrar, and Prof. Dr. C. Dhandapani, the revered Dean of the Curriculum Development Cell.

Prof. Dr. J. Senthil Velmurugan, with his visionary approach to educational administration, is propelling Thiruvalluvar University to new heights of academic distinction. His leadership inspires a culture of learning and intellectual growth in an ambience of transparency and accountability.

Prof. Dr. C. Dhandapani, in his role as the Dean of the Curriculum Development Cell, has masterminded progressive educational frameworks that have enriched the scholarly landscape of Thiruvalluvar University. His scholarly contributions to the university is a testament to his commitment to academic excellence.

On this auspicious day, we express our deepest appreciation to Dr. Senthil and Dr. Dhandapani for gracing us with their esteemed presence and for their monumental contributions to academia.

Founded in 2012, our institution was born from a vision to empower the rural and tribal youth through quality education and holistic development. This vision, deeply rooted in the aspirations of Fr. Francis Guezou SDB and our founder Don Bosco, continues to guide us as we strive to illuminate the futures of the disadvantaged.

This year's celebration is particularly momentous as it coincides with three significant anniversaries. We honor the bicentenary of Little John Bosco's dream at age eight, a vision that shaped his destiny as an educator and advocate for youth. We commemorate the centenary of Fr. Francis Guezou's birth, whose childhood dreams led to a lifetime of service in India. We also mark the silver jubilee of BICS InfoTech, our pioneering initiative on the Hills, which began the journey of imparting computer technology skills in higher education.

These milestones serve as a clarion call to revisit our foundational mission and advance it with the dedication of our founding fathers. This annual report is a testament to our progress and a commitment to our ongoing journey.

Today, Don Bosco College proudly stands with 1089 students, 53 faculty members, and 25 non-teaching staff. We offer a diverse range of academic programs, including seven undergraduate degrees, two postgraduate courses, and two doctoral programs, each designed to foster excellence and innovation.

As we reflect on our achievements and look to the future, we remain steadfast in our mission to educate, inspire, and transform lives in the spirit of Don Bosco.

Students Strength

No	Programme of Study	Y1	Y2	Y3	Total
1	Computer Science (UG)	54	53	45	152
2	Computer Science (PG)	17	07	_	24
3	Computer Applications	108	100	106	314
4	Mathematics	23	33	13	69
5	Commerce	75	66	64	205
6	Management Studies	48	55	54	157
7	B.A, Defence and Strategic Studies	46	38	_	84
7	English (UG)	26	19	21	66
8	English (PG)	03	12	_	15
9	Ph.D	03	_	_	03
				Total	1089

Faculty Strength

Department	Total
Computer Science (UG & PG)	10
Computer Applications	07
Mathematics	05
Commerce	05
Management Studies	04
B.A Defence and Strategic Studies	03
English (UG & PG)	14
Tamil	04
Physical Director	01

Administrative and Support Staff

Centre	Total
Communicative English Academy (CEA)	02
DB Cares for our Common Home (DBCCH)	01
Guezou Computing Centre	03
Quality Documentation Centre	02
Arivagam (Knowledge Resource Centre)	02
College Office	03
Drivers	08
Support Staff	

Governance, Leadership, and Management

A College with a Difference

a. Don Bosco College, Yelagiri Hills, stands out as a beacon of hope, serving 99.9% of students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, with 85% being children of daily wage laborers and 93% being first-generation learners.

b. Our institution is a testament to the enduring legacy of Don Bosco's pedagogy, which has been a cornerstone of our educational philosophy since 1859.

c. We are committed to being a sanctuary of learning, nurturing well-rounded individuals grounded in Gospel values, and dedicated to the mission of providing diverse services and experiences that foster holistic growth.

Salesian Community and Management

a. We express our sincere thanks to Rev. Dr. L. Don Bosco, the Provincial and Chairperson, and his team for their steadfast support.

b. Gratitude is also due to Rev. Dr. Bosco Augustine, Rector and Secretary, for his visionary and steadfast leadership; to Fr. Xavier Raj, Administrator, for his dedicated management of the college; and to Fr. Anthoy Kishore, Vice Principal: Academics, who assumed responsibility in the current year for fostering academic and extracurricular excellence.

c. Special acknowledgment goes to Fr. Amalavanan, the Campus Minister, for overseeing extension activities; to Fr. Charles Grace for his contributions to the Communicative English Academy and DB Music Club; to Dr. Rajendran, Vice Principal-Administration, and Mr. Immanuel, Dean of Student Welfare, for their organizational skills and unstinted support;

and to Sr. Philorani, Director of Arockia Annai Hostel, along with Sr. Gracy, Br. Gnanaselvam, and Br. Arul Jeyam, for their guidance in the respective hostels.

Faculty and Non-Teaching Staff

a. We recognize and appreciate the contributions of faculty members who have concluded their service with us this year.

Computer Applications	:	Dr Selvaperumal
		Mrs. Komala K
		Mrs Vinodhini
Mathematics		Mr Vijayakumar
		Dr Moganraj D
		Mr Manivannan S
Commerce		Dr Mary Priyadharshin
Management Studies		Dr Vetrivelan D
English	:	Mrs Rekha R
		Ms Achu John
		Ms Ida Hepzepha
Tamil		Dr Lakshmanan
Com. Eng Academy	:	Mr. Antony Sunil Deepak
Library		Mr Soundarajan
Guezou Computer Centre		Mr Raman
Media Admin		Mr Justin Amalraj J
Drivers		Mr. Bharath M, Mr. Manavalan I.J.K, Mr Sankar T

a. The newly recruited faculty and administrative staff in the current year are:

Computer Applications	:	Mrs. Shyamala M
		Mr Alexander
Commerce	:	Mr. Amit kumar Gupta
		Mr. Melvin S
Management Studies	:	Mr. Arul Anthony Rozario M
		Mrs. Kiruthiga M
		Mrs. Jainy G
English	:	Ms. Gopika B,
		Ms. Keerthana Devi M,
		Ms. Riya S
		Mr. Rufus Dayasagaran A
Communicative English	:	Mr. Srinath D
Tamil	:	Mr. Sriram B
Defence and Strategic Studies		Mr. Madhavan J P
Drivers		Mr. Nithvanandham D, Mr. Manikandan

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Mr. Vijaya Kumar (System Admin) and Mr Govindaraj RT (Quality Admin) have been promoted as Assistant Professors in the Department of Computer Applications and Department of Commerce respectively.

We extend our best wishes to them and all new faculty and staff for a fulfilling tenure at the college.

Mr. Valan, Mr. Sathish, and Mr. Amuthan are currently on sabbatical to pursue their doctoral studies.

Curricular Aspects

a. In the upcoming academic year 2024-2025, Don Bosco College will introduce a new undergraduate program, B.Sc Mathematics with Computer Applications. This program is to ensure that our Mathematics graduates are well-equipped with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in their professional endeavors.

b. Furthermore, our unique curriculum enrichment course, Information Literacy, continues to be a cornerstone of the educational experience at DBCY. It offers a platform for collaborative and peer-learning. Throughout this academic year, it is commendable that most departments have successfully conducted a minimum of 15 enriching sessions, reflecting our commitment to fostering a well-rounded and informed student body.

No	Department	Sessions
2	Computer Science	16
3	Computer Applications	16
4	Mathematics	16
5	Commerce	17
6	Business Administration	12
7	English	20
8	Defence & Strategic Studies	8

c. To gain practical knowledge and industry exposure, the departments organize industry or heritage visits.

No	Department	Organization	Place	Student#
1	Computer Science	Karunya university	Coimbatore	45
2	Computer Applications	TVS and Nerolac Paint	Hosur	106
3	Mathematics	Ducont India System	Chennai	12

4	Commerce	Nil	Nil	Nil
5	Business Administration	Nil	Nil	Nil
6	English	Meenakshi Amman Temple, Gandhi Museum	Madurai	35
7	Defence & Strategic Studies	Kumaraguru Institutions	Coimbatore	11

d. We offered 38 Professional, Vocational, and Competitive Examinations (PVC) Courses, including ten new additions, to meet the latest market trends and academic needs.

e. Our IORT Lab (iSquare Lab) has seen significant student engagement, with seven undergraduates completing innovative projects such as a Plant Communicator, Air Pollution Monitoring and Home Automation using Arduino, among others.

f. Our commitment to environmental stewardship is evident through initiatives like waste management and the establishment of Don Bosco Cares for our Common Home (DBCCH). Kuvalam (Waste to Wealth Park) and relocation of Thiruvalluvar Organic Garden are the new initiative to provide environment sustainability consciousness to the students.

g. The English for Life program, conducted by the Communicative English Academy, has been instrumental in assessing and improving first-year students' communication skills.

h. 15 Naan Mudhalvan courses initiated by the Government of Tamilnadu and facilitated by Thiruvalluvar University have been attended by all undergraduate students.

Naan Mudhalvan Courses in 2023-2024	Sem	Students Groups	Beneficiaries#
Banking & Financial Services	5	BBA	54
Microsoft Office Essentials	3	Commerce	65
Freight Forwarding	5	Commerce	66
Graphic Design	5	English	21
Fundamentals of Data Analytics with Tableau.	5	Maths	13
Foundation of AI/ML	3	CS	43
Fundamentals of Coding & Cloud	5	CS	54
Overview of English Communication	1	All	380
Employability Skills	4	BBA	58
Oracle Cloud Architecture	4	Computer Application	100
Oracle Cloud Architecture	4	ComputerScience	53
Insurance	6	BBA	54
Tally	6	Commerce	64
Digital marketing	6	English	21
Python	6	Maths	13
Cyber Security	6	Computer Application	106
Cyber Security	6	Computer Science	45

i. Additionally, 176 students have broadened their knowledge through certified online courses from platforms like SWAYAM and Coursera.

Sl No	Department	No of Students
1	MA English	3
2	BSc Computer Science	Nil
3	BCA	50
4	BSc Mathematics	10
5	B.Com (CA)	67
6	BBA	40
7	BA English	6
8	BA Defence	Nil
	Total	

j. During this academic year, our departments have successfully integrated FIELD STUDY / PROJECTS / INTERNSHIPS into various courses. Notably, 12 students completed internships and 68 participated in fieldwork, enriching their curriculum experience. The university's updated curriculum now mandates project work for all final year students, further enhancing their practical learning.

Sl No	Programme of Study	Project Work	Internship	Field Work
1	MA English	10	Nil	12
2	M.Sc., Computer Science	7	Nil	Nil
3	BSc Computer Science	45	Nil	Nil
4	BCA	104	03	Nil
5	BSc Mathematics	13	Nil	Nil
6	B. Com (CA)	64	09	Nil
7	BBA	55	Nil	56
8	BA English	12	Nil	Nil
9	BA Defence & Str Studies	Nil	Nil	Nil
	Total	310	12	68

Teaching-Learning-Evaluation

a. Demand Rate for admission is 100% plus in four UG programmes. While the admission rate for UG (English and Mathematics) and PG needs drastic improvement.

No	Programme of Study	Seats Available	Students Enrolled	Admission Rate
1	B.SC (CS)	55	55	100%
2	BCA	110	110	100%
3	B.SC (Mathematics)	70	36	51%
4	BBA	70	70	100%
5	B.COM (CA)	70	70	100%
6	BA ENGLISH	70	27	38.5%
7	B,A, Defence and Strategic Studies	70	47	67.14%
8	M.SC (CS)	26	19	73.6%
9	MA ENGLISH	40	06	1.5%

b. Activity-based learning is encouraged by intra-collegiate or inter-collegiate events of the department such as Bos.Con by the School of Computing, COMFEST by the department of Commerce, MEST by the department of Management Studies. PI DAY by the Department of Mathematics and Bos.Lit by the department of English.

c. The overall pass-percentage of the final year students in the last academic year is 70%.

No	PROGRAM OF STUDY	APPEARED	TOTAL PASSED	PASS %
1	B.A. (English)	18	12	67%
2	B.B.A	56	32	57.1%
3	B.C.A	102	94	92.2%
4	B.Com(Computer Applications)	70	16	22.9%
5	B.Sc (Computer Science)	49	44	89.8%
6	B.Sc (Mathematics)	13	7	53.8%

7	M.A (English)	10	9	90%
8	M.Sc (Computer Science)	8	7	87.5%
	TOTAL	**326**	**221**	**70%**

d. Students' results in the university examinations need improvement. Many students say that the grading is not objective, which makes them less motivated. The fact that grades can change a lot if they ask for revaluation shows there's a problem. Not all affected students can apply for revelation due to financial constraints.
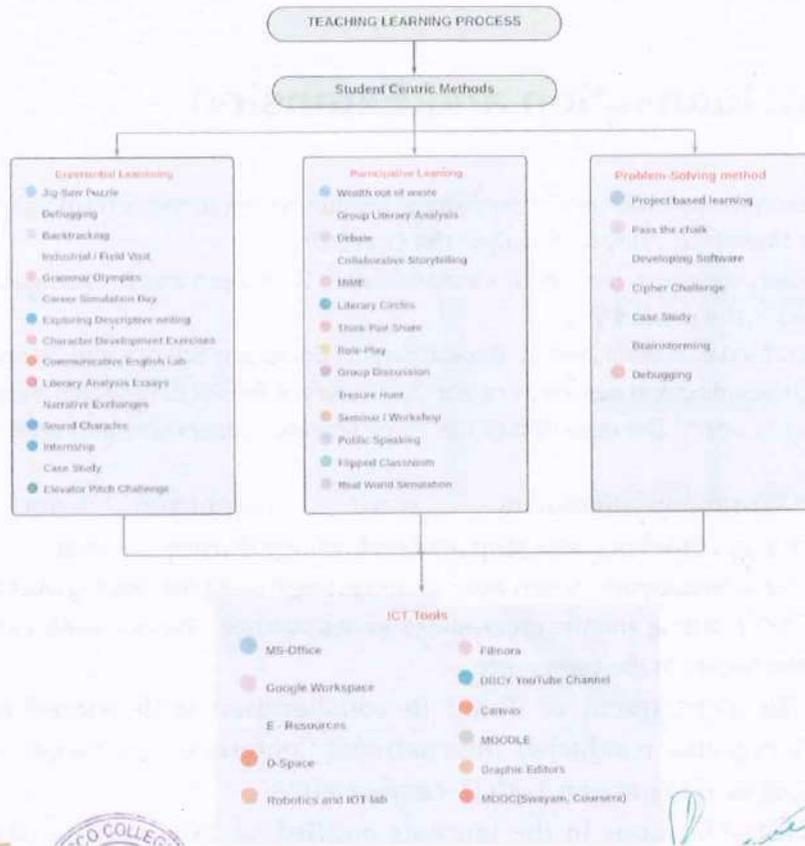
No	Programme of Study	April/May 2022-2023		Nov /Dec 2023-2024	
		At Publication	After Revaluation	At Publication	After Revaluation
1	MA English	60%	80%%	93%	95%
2	MSc Computer Science	72%	Nil	78.1%	Nil
3	BSc Computer Science	72.6%	76%	67.1%	74.4%
4	BCA	72.66%	80.62%	75.8%	83.66%
5	BSc Mathematics	62%	65%	28%	29%
6	B. Com (CA)	51.41%	63.74%	39.93%	40%
7	BBA	F60%	62%	28%	32%
8	BA English	60%	75%	81.71%	84%
9	BA Defence	28.95%	Nil	37%	41%

e. The **department-level academic mentoring system**, with one teacher for every twenty students, has yielded significant benefits:

1. Mid Day Meals Scheme:Students facing financial difficulties have been able to join the college's meal program.

2. Improved Attendance and Focus:Previously irregular students are now attending classes regularly and showing academic improvement.

3. Scholarship Applications:Students previously unaware of or who hadn't applied for scholarships were assisted and have since received financial aid.

4. Extracurricular Engagement:With mentor encouragement, many students have actively participated in cultural and extracurricular activities.

5. Behavioral Improvements:Students involved in disciplinary issues have shown positive behavioral changes and renewed focus on their studies.

6. Leadership Opportunities:Mentors have been instrumental in recommending and guiding students towards leadership roles.

f. Teaching-Learning process is systematized across the departments with the definition of program and course outcomes with a methodology to compute the program attainment in spite of not having access to the detailed scores of the students in the final summative assessments.

TEACHING LEARNING PROCESS

Student Centric Methods

Experiential Learning	Participative Learning	Problem-Solving method
Jig-Saw Puzzle	Wealth out of waste	Project based learning
Debugging	Group Literary Analysis	Pass the chalk
Backtracking	Debate	Developing Software
Industrial / Field Visit	Collaborative Storytelling	Cipher Challenge
Grammar Olympics	MME	Case Study
Career Simulation Day	Literary Circles	Brainstorming
Exploring Descriptive writing	Think Pair Share	Debugging
Character Development Exercises	Role-Play	
Communicative English Lab	Group Discussion	
Literary Analysis Essays	Treasure Hunt	
Narrative Exchanges	Seminar / Workshop	
Sound Characters	Public Speaking	
Internship	Flipped Classroom	
Case Study	Real World Simulation	
Elevator Pitch Challenge		

ICT Tools

MS-Office	Filmora
Google Workspace	DBCY YouTube Channel
E - Resources	Canvas
	MOODLE
D-Space	Graphic Editors
Robotics and IOT lab	MOOC(Swayam, Coursera)

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g. The evaluation process for both formative and summative assessments is well-defined. Thanks to the efforts of Dr Jayamary who spearheaded reformation in the TLE process.

h. Naduvarkon Tamil Mandram facilitates language skill development in Tamil adopting innovative practices like Vaasippai Nesippom, Puthaga Payanam and Thedal monthly magazine.

Research, Innovation and Extension

a. Congratulations DrA.Naveen for publishing another patent in the current year. Title: Deep Learning Models to study And analyse the ChatGPT
b. Three faculty members namely Dr Radhakrishnan, Dr Naveen and Dr Manivannan published two books in the current year.
c. We congratulate Dr Manivannan, Department of Computer Science and Dr Jayamary A who obtained their doctoral degree as research scholars of the PG & Research department of Computer Science. The department has three research supervisors and seven research scholars.
d. 17 Workshops/Seminars were Conducted on Research Methodology/Entrepreneurship and technology during the year.
    o The International Conference on Computing Paradigms was organized by the School of Computing and the proceedings were published. Three papers were published by the faculty in the conference.
    o The department of Tamil in collaboration with Sacred Heart College Tirupattur conducted International Conference on Tamil Literature and Cultural Identiy on 18th December 2023.
e. Research Publications in the Journals notified on UGC website during the year are 9

NO	Department	SCI Journal	Scopus	UGC Care	Total
1	Computer Science	NIL	7	NIL	6
2	B.C.A	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
3	Mathematics	1	NIL	NIL	1
4	B.Com (C.A)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
5	B.B.A	NIL	NIL	1	1
6	English	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
7	Defence and Strategic Studies	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
8	Tamil	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

	TOTAL	1	7	1	9

Extension Activities

a. Bosco Outreach is the flagship extension activity of the college by which each department is assigned a village on the hills. Students visit the village and explore the possibilities for development with regard to social, cultural, economical, educational, environmental and health factors. A sociogram is done by the students which serves as the tool to plan and execute other activities. A memorandum has been signed with the Social Work department of Sacred Heart College with the guidance of Fr Joseph Andrew to carry out this project.

b. In collaboration with Indian Science Congress Association (Chennai Chapter), National workshop on Science and Technology towards sustainable tribal Empowerment at Yelagiri Hills on 7th to 9th December 2023, around 300 tribes participated in the workshop and possibilities of empowerment using technology was deliberate r–

c. In partnership with Tamil Nadu Council of Science and Technology, under SC/CT training cell, three workshops were conducted for the people on Dairy Farming, Desktop Publishing and promotion of herbal medicinal plants.

d. There are **twenty-four youth clubs** in the college extending their reach out to the local community. Significant events organized by the clubs are 64, excluding the routine input sessions and meetings distributed as Awareness (40), Community Service(9), Competitions(13) and Workshops (2)

Organising Club	Awareness	Community service	Competitions	Workshop	Grand Total
AICUF	3				3
Ayush Club	7		1		8
Bosco Volunteers	1	2			3
Clean Hills Club	2				2
Consumer Club	2		1		3
Creative Writing			2		2
DB- Music Club			3		3
Digital Arts			2	1	3
Electoral Literacy Club	3				3

Gandhi Peace		1	1		2
Green Hills Club	1				1
Literacy Club	2		1		3
Media Forum	3		1		4
MIYAWAKI CLUB	3				3
Paati Thatha Club	1			1	2
Red Ribbon Club	4		1		5
Rotaract Club	3	1			4
Small Savings Club	3	3			6
Youth Red Cross	2	2			4
Grand Total	**40**	**9**	**13**	**2**	**64**

e. Significant Events organized by the youth clubs during the year are:

No	Title of the Activity	Particulars	Organising Club	Students participated
1	Webinar on Celebrate Life	Awareness	Red Ribbon Club	35
2	Street Play	Awareness	Red Ribbon Club	48
3	Human chain	Awareness	Red Ribbon Club	50
4	Drawing Competitions	Competitions	Red Ribbon Club	80
5	Blood Donation Camp in Association with CMC Hospital	Awareness	Red Ribbon Club	50
6	Orientation on Small Savings	Awareness	Small Savings Club	142
7	World Small Savings Day	Awareness	Small Savings Club	30
8	Bank & Spot Account Opening	Community service	Small Savings Club	30
9	Save and Thrive	Community service	Small Savings Club	30
10	Connecting to Neighborhood	Community service	Small Savings Club	30
11	Demo on Online Savings	Awareness	Small Savings Club	20

13	Orientation on "Being a Rotaractor for life"	Awareness	Rotaract Club	60
14	**SATHSANG – Awareness about Artificial Intelligence for 9th std Govt. Hr. Sec. School children – Athanavoor**	Awareness	Rotaract Club	150
15	**Awareness on "My Health, My Hygiene"**	Awareness	Rotaract Club	50
16	**World Ozone Day**	Awareness	Clean Hills Club	50
17	**World Water Day**	Awareness	Clean Hills Club	50
18	**Orientation on Seed ball Preparation**	Awareness	Ayush Club	54
19	**Promotion and Commerce Medicinal Herbs**	Awareness	Ayush Club	148
20	**Herbal Plants Exhibition**	Awareness	Ayush Club	65
21	**Cultivating Awareness on Medicinal Plants**	Awareness	Ayush Club	160
22	Herbal Plant Awareness Encampment	Awareness	Ayush Club	110
23	**National Ayurveda Day**	Competitions	Ayush Club	175
24	Consciousness Program on Herbal Plants	Awareness	Ayush Club	76
25	Herbal Plants Uses	Awareness	Ayush Club	110
26	**International plastic bag free day**	Awareness	Green Hills Club	50
27	**Growing Together Campus Seed Collection Drive**	Awareness	MIYAWAKI CLUB	60
28	Webinar on "Orientation on Adarvanam"	Awareness	MIYAWAKI CLUB	50
29	**International Forest Day**	Awareness	MIYAWAKI CLUB	60
30	**Peace Rally for the affected people of Manipur**	Awareness	AICUF	60
31	**International Human Rights Day Rally**	Awareness	AICUF	40
32	**Today's Democracy on Student's View, State-level**	Awareness	AICUF	50

	camp			
33	Sharing Day	Community service	Bosco Volunteers	50
34	**Five Days of AADHAAR CAMP**	Community service	Bosco Volunteers	150
35	**World Youth Day**	Awareness	Bosco Volunteers	40
36	**World Democracy Day**	Awareness	Consumer Club	45
37	**Social Justice Day**	Awareness	Consumer Club	50
38	Drawing Competition on Adulterated Food	Competitions	Consumer Club	45
39	Exploring Imagination: Cinematic Daydreaming	Competitions	Creative Writing	40
40	**Eclipsed Realms: A Visual Odyssey**	Competitions	Creative Writing	40
41	**World Music Day**	Competitions	DB- Music Club	40
42	**MELLISAI'23-24 (Intra Departmental Music Fest)**	Competitions	DB- Music Club	40
43	Music Postrlic	Competitions	DB- Music Club	40
44	**Meme Bazaar on the topic "90's kids vs 2k kid's Education"**	Competitions	Digital Arts	45
45	**Video Forge Competition**	Competitions	Digital Arts	30
46	**Workshop on Photoshop**	Workshop	Digital Arts	35
47	National Voters Day	Awareness	Electoral Literacy Club	60
48	**International Day of Democracy**	Awareness	Electoral Literacy Club	40
49	Voting Awareness Program	Awareness	Electoral Literacy Club	40
50	Methodology for Literacy Development Workshop	Awareness	Literacy Club	20
51	**International Literacy Day**	Awareness	Literacy Club	100
52	State Level Talent Examination	Competitions	Literacy Club	52
53	**World Youth Day**	Awareness	Youth Red Cross	40

54	Media Awareness Programme	Awareness	Media Forum	122
55	Orientation Programme	Awareness	Media Forum	27
56	Online representation of Women: Fostering Gender Equality	Awareness	Media Forum	92
57	Planned for Short Film	Competitions	Media Forum	12
58	Current Situation on Senior Citizens"	Awareness	Paathi Thatha Club	45
59	Workshop on the topic (Medical care for Elders)	Workshop	Paathi Thatha Club	50
60	**Blood Donation Camp**	Community service	Youth Red Cross	60
61	Prayer for Manipur	Awareness	Youth Red Cross	150
62	Mega Medical Camp	Community service	Youth Red Cross	60
63	**World Peace Day Drawing competition**	Competitions	Gandhi Peace	45
64	**International Day of Non-violence Speech Day Competition**	Community service	Gandhi Peace	50

The most active clubs are given star ratings every year. For this year, Small Savings Clubs get Five Star, Red Ribbon gets four stars and AYUSH Club gets three stars. It is noteworthy that Small Savings club has facilitated the opening of 30 savings Bank account, 28 IPPB Premium account and 15 Indian Bank Accounts for the benefit of the local community,

f. Linkages with institutions/industries for internship during the year are: 3

g. **National Cadet Corps:** The first batch of 30 cadets underwent three Combined Annual Training Camps and became eligible to write the 'B' Certificate Examinations and have also passed in "C" Certificate Examination. . The NCC training programs include physical training, drill training, weapon training, map reading, and night march training. Additionally, awareness programs on tobacco and AIDS, as well as events like the Freedom Run Program for Fit India Movement and Yoga Day, were conducted. The college hosted an annual NCC camp for ten days in May 2023 with 500 cadets from various colleges. NCC cadets also organize Independence Day, Sports Day, and Republic Day programs, providing Guard of Honor to chief guests during college events.

h. **National Social Service Unit:** On 15.05.2023, the NSS unit organized the "Meri Maati Mera Desh" (என் மண் என் தேசம்) d. drive in collaboration with the 10 local Panchayats

around Vaniyambadi. This initiative aimed to promote environmental awareness and community participation. The unit facilitated Yuva Portal registrations, emphasizing skill development among students. **NSS Day Celebration** on 24.09.2023 included a street play in front of the park in Athanavoor. On 21.06.2023, the NSS unit joined hands with NCC to celebrate International Yoga Day.

Alumni Engagement

a. The Alumni Association is officially registered as the 'Association of Past Pupils - Don Bosco Center Yelagiri Hills' in compliance with UGC requirements. A general body meeting of Alumni was held on January 26th, with 73 registrants. Each department maintains a register to track alumni activities, with department in-charges responsible for this task. The Best Alumnus of the Year is given to at least two individuals from each program.
b. The department of English had a special Alumni meet BOSTON'24 to celebrate a decade of the department. Every alumnus was presented with a personalized memento.

Infrastructure and Learning Resources

Physical Facilities

The Management has spent 1,6 Crore towards infrastructure development in the the current year,

PROJECT	AMOUNT
Herbal Production Unit	3,00,000
Academic and College Office Block	1,20,00000
Renovation of Rest Rooms for Ladies Staff	164,691
Rest Rooms for the Gents Staff	230,066
Solar Heaters for the Hostels	308,860
Upgrading Savio Mess Kitchen with Chapati maker	

Rest Rooms for Students (Boys)	357,399
Painting of the Academic Blocks with sponsorship from Nerolac	
Another bus was added	
Waste to Wealth Park/Organic Vegetable Garden	400000
TOTAL	

Library

    a. 300 books were added increasing the total number to 9000
    b. National Digital Library Club is active with 320 registrations as per Government norms
    c. 45 journals are subscribed for various departments in the current year

IT Infrastructure (Total Expenditure: 10L)

    a. Computer Lab D is being upgraded with 40 workstations.
    b. CCTV Surveillance system is enhanced with additional 20 points
    c. Increased internet bandwidth was obtained for 420 mbps.
    d. Printers and Laptops were procured for the offices of IQAC 10KV UPS for Arivagam and Jubilee Hall was replaced.

Student Support and Progression

Student Support

Total scholarship and freeship amount facilitated so far in the current year is Rs 29 Lakhs benefitting 489 students.

No	Economic Benefit Scheme	Type	Recipients#	Total Amount
1	Koselay Memorial IVDP	Mgmt	47	357500
2	Don Bosco Past Pupils	Mgmt	4	69000
3	Fr Guezou Foundation	Mgmt	13	130000

4	Sugan Thomas Foundation	Mgmt	5	66500
5	Covid Scholarship	Mgmt	2	20000
6	DB Batch 1990 Charitable Trust Chennai Scholarship	Mgmt	10	100000
7	Don Bosco Past Pupils	Mgmt	95	475000
8	Midday Meals Scheme	Mgmt	77	53430
9	SC/ST/SCC Scholarship	Govt	143	604540
10	Free Bus for Hills Students	Mgmt	37	148000
11	Pudumai Penn	Govt	56	672000
			489	2695970

Career Guidance and Placement

During this academic year 2022-23, Career Guidance and Placement Cell conducted :

- Seven orientation and skill development programs in collaboration with Freshkite, IBM, Transcend, LinkedIn and DB Vazhikaati
- and four recruitment drives by Naan Mudhalvan, TNASDCH, Bosco Soft and Michael's Academy.
- 42 students have been placed in various companies so far.
- 264 students completed online skill courses offered by different trainers.
- Twelve faculty members completed Faculty Development Programs (FDPs) conducted by the University.

Student Participation and Activities

a. The College provides opportunities and environment for the students to participate in Sports and Cultural activities/competitions.

b. Annual Sport Meet was organised on 12th August 2023 and the overall championship was won by the department of Business Administration and the runner up was the department of Computer Applications.

c. Fr Guezou Football Tournament was organized in August 2023.

d. Students participated in the following events, organised by Thiruvalluvar University during this academic year and emerged victorious.

   1. Cross Country Race (Men and Women) Tournament:
      Date: 23-01-2024
      Event: Thiruvalluvar University Vellore Division and Tiruvannamalai Division Cross Country Race (Men and Women) Tournament
      Hosted by: Don Bosco College, Yelagiri Hills
      Participation: 79 students from our college
      Result: Our college students emerged victorious in the match. Five students were selected to represent All India Inter-University Competitions.

   2. Intercollege Basketball Men Tournament:
      Date: 12-12-2023

Event: Tiruvannamalai Interdivisions and Intercollege Basketball Men Tournament
Hosted by: Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur
Performance: Our college secured the runner-up position in the inter-college category. Three students were chosen for Inter-Divisional play, and one student was selected for the South Indian University.

3. Intercollege Basketball Women Match:

   Date: 10-12-2032
   Event: Tiruvannamalai Intercollege Basketball Women Match
   Hosted by: Jain College (Women)
   Result: Our college secured the runner-up position. Five students were chosen for the Interdivisional matches.

4. Table Tennis Tournament:

   Date: 14-12-2023
   Event: Thiruvalluvar University Vellore Division Inter Collegiate and Inter Division Table Tennis Tournament
   Hosted by: Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur DT
   Result: Our college won the trophy with outstanding performance. Master Darvin George from our college was selected for the Inter-Divisional match.

5. Kabaddi (Men) Tournament:

   Date: 30-10-2023
   Event: Thiruvalluvar University Tiruvannamalai Division Intercollegiate Kabaddi (Men) Tournament
   Hosted by: Yelagiri Arts College, Sundarampalli, Tirupattur
   Result: Our college reached the semi-finals. Three students were chosen for inter-divisional play, and one student was selected for the South Zone.

6. Kabaddi (Women) Tournament:

   Date: 16-11-2023
   Event: Thiruvalluvar University Tiruvannamalai Division Inter Collegiate Kabaddi (Women) Tournament
   Hosted by: Islamiyah Women's College
   Result: Our college reached the semi-finals. Two students were chosen for inter-divisional play, and one student was selected for the South Zone.

7. Athletics (Men and Women) Tournament:

   Date: 20-12-2023 to 21-12-2023
   Event: Thiruvalluvar University Vellore Division and Tiruvannamalai Division Athletics (Men and Women) Tournament
   Organizer: Thiruvalluvar University
   Participation: 20 students from our college.
   Result: Our college won the overall championship in third position. Two students represented South East Inter University Competitions.

2. Intercollege Football Men Tournament:

   Date: 24-12-2023 to 24-12-2023
   Event: Vellore Division Inter College Football Tournament
   Hosted by: Loyola College, Vettavalam
   Achievement: Our team participated, and three students were chosen for Inter-Divisional Match, and one student was selected for the South Zone.

3. Intercollege Volleyball Women Match:

   Date: 10-11-2032
   Event: Tiruvannamalai Inter College Volleyball Women Match
   Hosted by: Jain College (Women)

Participation: Our college participated. One student was chosen for the South Zone.

These are the notable sports achievements by our college students at various levels. We thank Mr Ram Kumar for guiding all athletes with the support of the Sports Club,.

e. The departments have showcased exceptional talent and dedication, resulting in numerous accolades at various levels. The Computer Applications (CA) department has been particularly triumphant, winning the IT Manager competition at VIBE 5.0 and securing first place in the Tech Marathon at IZEAL. The department claimed the Overall Championship at EXPO-2K23, with notable victories in competitions like BOOM BAZAAR.

The Computer Science (CS) department achieved Overall Championships at events like TECHTRA 2K23, Kalai Thiruvizha 2k24, Technocraft 23, and i-fest 24.

Veeramani, Jency and Divya of Computer Applications won prizes for drawing competition, easy writing and speech conducted by Citizen Consumer Forum of Tirupattur District.

Congratulations to all the departments for their outstanding performance and for setting a high standard of excellence.

f. Major Cultural Events are:
- Muthamizh Vizha and Pongal
- Mellisai
- Extravaganza - Overall championship was taken up by the department of English

g. Silver Jubilee Celebrations of BICS InfoTech, the parent institute of the college, was celebrated on 26th January 2024 presided by Msgr John Robert, Diocesan Administrator of Vellore Diocese for the Holy Eucharist and Fr Don Bosco, the provincial for the felicitation programme.

Many of the alumni participated and contributed Rs 4,00,000 towards student scholarships.

Christus Vivit Education Funding Scheme was inaugurated.

FundTree software was introduced towards mobilization of funds from the well-wishers and alumni for the various activities of the college.

Institutional Values and Best Practices

a. Community-building among the students, faculty and parents are ensured by initiatives such as:
- Special days of spiritual renewal as annual retreat for the students and staff
- Parents meeting to maintain rapport with the parents of the students
- Industry Visits with a day of outing for final year students

b. Environmental Consciousness and Sustainability is increased by initiatives such as:

- Fr. Guezou Irkai Maruthuva Muzhigai Thottam (Herbal Garden) and Mush-room cultivation for organic farming
- Initiated Dense Forest to reduce global warming, preserve groundwater, enhance biodiversity and sustain humidity in the air
- Initiated the Swachh Department/Classroom to create environmental consciousness among the students .
- Created interest among the students to develop the department Gardens.
- Waste to Wealth Park is being established with an organic vegetable garden.

c. Initiatives taken to promote universal values and ethics are:

- Independence Day and Republic Day Celebrations
- Pongal Celebration
- Celebrating Don Bosco, Father and Friend of Youth on January 30th
- Christmas Celebration in different groups
- Celebrating Founder's Day on January 29th
- Gandhi Peace Day

Conclusion

As we bring this annual report to a close, I express my profound gratitude to the Salesian Community and the members of the College Council unwavering participation and support have been the backbone of every initiative at Don Bosco College, Yelagiri Hills.

A heartfelt thanks to all faculty members who have tirelessly collaborated with the IQAC Team, including the coordinator and criterion heads, to prepare the self-study report for NAAC. This endeavor has not only facilitated the assessment and accreditation process but has also instilled a culture of self-reflection and transformation. We are dedicated to continuing our pursuit of quality excellence, with the goal of seeing DBCY attain autonomy and the esteemed status of a degree-awarding institution.

To our cherished students, who are the very essence of our college, your presence breathes life into our mission. Your remarkable cooperation at various levels has been instrumental in fostering a joyful community. The feedback you provide through various channels is crucial for the growth of our college, and your spirited participation in diverse activities, as well as your achievements in external events, are worthy of the highest commendation. Let us persist in observing the directives of the institution—maintaining the campus language, dress code, punctuality, cleanliness, and academic diligence—to emerge as not only exemplary citizens of our nation but also as joyful children of God.

As the Salesians of Don Bosco commemorate the bicentenary of Don Bosco's transformative dream at the tender age of nine—a vision that has flourished into a global educational ministry—we are inspired to dream with you. We envision each student as a future catalyst for societal change and every faculty member as an innovator and subject-matter expert, imparting their wisdom to the leaders of tomorrow.
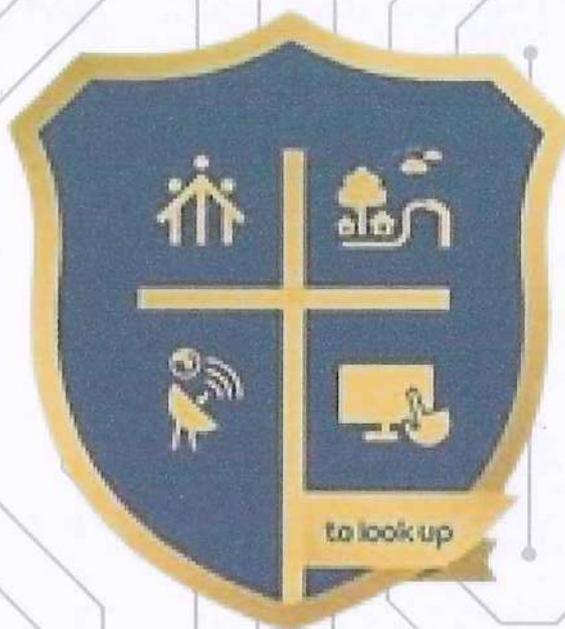
In the spirit of this shared vision, let us part with a blessing from the Holy Scriptures: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." (Romans 15:13)

Thank you, and may this blessing guide us all in the year ahead

Thaddeus sdb
Principal

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