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### **BRAND NEW SEASON**

M.O.P. kick-starts the academic year with a new student cabinet



In Frame: M.O.P. SANSAD 2023

It is the M.O.P. way to venerate legacy, but to also, in the same way, keep the door open for fresh ideas and better ways to do things. And that's why, every year, the new student leader team is welcomed into office with proper fanfare. The Investiture Ceremony of M.O.P. Sansad, the student cabinet of the College was held on July 19, 2023. The M.O.P. Sansad is modeled after the National Parliament, and consists of a democratically elected Prime Minister, two Deputy Prime Ministers, and Ministers and Members of Parliament serving ministries that take charge of various portfolios for the benefit of the student body. The portfolios include Communication, Cultural Affairs, Environment, Health and Hygiene, Home Affairs, Entrepreneurship, Social Welfare, Sports, and Youth Affairs. The student leaders were installed into office by the chief guest, Dr. R. Rangarajan, Dean, College Development Council, University of Madras. Principal Dr. Archna Prasad administered the oath of office, directing the students into their respective positions.

Badges were ceremonially handed over to Club leaders from all programmes and also to the student leaders from NCC, NSS, YRC, RRC, Consumer Club and SDG club. The chief guest Dr. R. Rangarajan expressed his appreciation for the idea of a democratically elected student cabinet. The new cabinet had swung into action even before formal investiture, organising Swagatham, the first- year students' orientation programme, on July 5, 2023. The freshers were inducted into the M.O.P. community with an inspiring address by the Principal, who touched upon on the rules and regulations of the College and motivated the students to be the best version of themselves this academic year.

### M.O.P. **DELIBERATES**



The first parliamentary session for 2023-24 was conducted on Aug. 5, 2023. Ms. Ashna Bagdi, from B.Com Honours, the Minister of Communications, was selected as the speaker. As the session progressed, different ministries of M.O.P. Sansad proposed their events and activities for the year.

The house considered each proposal, deliberated over the issue, made amendments, and finalised the action plan with a vote. The principal addressed the student leaders and clarified further doubts.

### M.O.P. **LAUNCHES** RESEARCH CIRCLE



In Frame: Prof. Thenmozhi at the first edition of the Reasearch Open Circle

The Research Open Circle is an initiative by the M.O.P. Vaishnav College Research and Consultancy Committee to facilitate research activities, foster collaboration among researchers, and advance knowledge in a specific field or across multiple disciplines. The committee envisions regular meeting of researchers across online platforms or collaborative networks. Another objective is to highlight activities that will also benefit academic and professional service colleagues in their work with researchers.

Prof. (Ms.) M. Thenmozhi, Professor and Head of the Department of Management Studies, IIT Madras, inaugurated the Research Open Circle and shared her thougts on the nuances of research in the modern era. The faculty members learned that the key mantra of success is to be persistent in research and gradually developed expertise in their domain, Ms. Thenmozhi added that every academician should understand that research and teaching are like twins that help in consistent growth and development. The Reasearch Open Circle also marked reasearch day on Aug. 23 with an address by Dr. Sabumon P C, Dean, Academic Research at VIT chennai. Several editions of the research colloquia and virtual events are lined up in the months to come.

### **IQAC GETS A HEADSTART ON STAFF** WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of M.O.P. Vaishnav got an early start on its regular staff development programme roster, and with a series of events organised this academic year, the IQAC aims to prioritise staff welfare and development.

Some of the sessions organised by IQAC are: Quality in Research Practice, organised on June 13 by Dr. Fazlunnisa Syed H, University Librarian In-Charge, University of Madras; ChatGPT: Educational Insights, on June 15, by Dr. Maheswari, Associate Professor, School of Computer Science and Engineering, Vellore Institute of Technology, Chennai; E-Content Proposal Writing and Content Preparation, on June 19, by Prof. P. Malliga, Head of Educational Media and Technology Department, NITTTR, Chennai; The Menopause Conversations, on June 20, by Dr. Anupama Gopal, Nutritionist, Lifestyle, Fitness, and Menopause Coach; and Health and Wellness, on July 15, for non-teaching and technical staff, delivered by Dr. Subhramita Panda, Homoeopath and Proprietor, Dr. Meeta's Clinic. The IQAC also organised a workshop for programme heads and senior faculty members titled Storytelling for Leaders, on Aug. 26, led by corporate trainers, Dr. Sundararaman Chintamani and Ms. Jayanthi Chintamani. The topics and resource persons were chosen with care to bring about incremental improvements in the realms of work, health, and the overall wellbeing of teaching and non-teaching staff.

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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



The start of every academic session **■** brings in countless new beginnings. Beginnings are always exciting and energising; but at a deeper level, they catalyse the process of Pause -Ponder -Sharpen - Recommit, the golden cycle that helps us check our course in the long-term journev towards the realisation of an institutional vision. As this year got underway, we entered a brief pause and

ponder phase, which was all about taking stock of the previous academic year: the activities and achievements of 2022-2023. It also included the process of drawing up an academic calendar and activity plans for the year 2023-2024. Meanwhile, The training calendar of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell kept the teachers busy in June 2023, helping them sharpen their wits in anticipation of the challenges that every new academic session brings with it. Besides, with the ever-increasing thrust on research, we have set out to give an impetus to this academic enterprise through the inception of Research Open Circle - a monthly forum to train, inform and motivate teachers to sharpen their research process and outcomes. M.O.P. Vaishnav chooses a theme every year to concentrate all stakeholders' community outreach efforts, so as to maximise benefits for the chosen cause. Continuing the theme that we chose last year, Vikas - development - will remain the focus of all social and community initiatives. As we **recommit** ourselves to the vision of evolving into a university of international repute in this 33rd year of our existence, we must recognise this: Before we turn our attention to the development of the community, we have to prioritise the development of self, by tapping the invaluable opportunities that every year brings with it.

Auchra Prasad

Dr. Archna Prasad, Principal

### M.O.P. MARKS COLLEGE BIRTHDAY BY SHARING **GOOD FORTUNE**

The NSS Cell of M.O.P. Vaishnav College donated 10 computers, 45 buckets and mugs to Assumption School in St. Teresa's Church, Nungambakkam, on the occasion of the 32nd College birthday on July 13, 2023. The event taught students the importance of donating to the underprivileged and making small efforts to improve their lives. The donation of computers also emphasises the value of education in an increasingly techno dependent world. The NSS Cell of the college also participated in an event conducted by the ALBE Foundation in association with the NSS unit of the University of Madras for the launch of "SHE", an initiative by the Honourable Former Vice President of India, Sri M. Venkaiah Naidu, on July 21, 2023, at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan. 50 NSS volunteers from M.O.P. attended the event. This initiative was launched with the aim of empowering women by improving their social, humanitarian, and emotional skills. It was followed by the launch of a book written by young women authors that teaches important and valuable life lessons.

### M.O.P. EXPRESSES ETERNAL THANKS TO DR. LALITHA BALAKRISHNAN



Ten years at the helm of a of higher education in general young institution is not child's play. And to steer an institution brimming with potential like M.O.P. Vaishnav can be a heavy responsibility. But Dr. Lalitha Balakrishnan, known for her wisdom and managerial acumen, bore the responsibility lightly, and set her sights on an ambitious course, leading M.O.P. to the stature the College owns today, at 32 years. Dr. Lalitha Balakrishnan retired at the end of the last fields like public policy and academic year from

her position as the Principal of M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women, which she held for more than a decade. Emotions ran high as she was felicitated on her Mav retirement on Manage-2023, by the ment, staff and students. One of Dr. Lalitha's first leadership roles at M.O.P. Vaishnav was as the director of the MBA programme. She was elevated to vice-prin-

cipal in 2002. After taking

spearheaded the third and

fourth cycles of NAAC ac-

creditation, and the College

obtained an 'A++' grade for

the third time. Besides her

services for M.O.P. Vaishnay,

as member of the Syndicate of the University of Madras, the NAAC General Council, and the planning board at Thiruvalluvar University, Vellore. Dr. Lalitha introduced numerous new curricula and degrees as the principal of M.O.P.. She launched programmes like the B. Com in Finance and Taxation, B.A. in Economics, and B.Sc. in Data Science. She also launched a number of degrees in the postgraduate stream in

> human resources. Over the years, she made a number of contributions towards the growth of linkages with universities in other countries. She also placed emphasis on skill development programmes that enhanced

the hands-on skills of students. In her address to the audience at the felicitation, Dr. Lalitha expressed gratitude to all the stakeholders of the College, particularly to the late Dr. Nirmala Prasad, the former principal of the institution, whom she described over as principal in 2013, she as her mentor and the cause for her success as a principal. With this, she passed the baton to her successor as Principal, Dr. Archna Prasad, and wished her well in her stewardship of M.O.P. Vaishshe has also served the cause nav College for Women.

### **SPORTS**



### M.O.P. SCORES BIG AT JUNIOR ATHLETIC **CHAMPIONSHIP**



Pictured: Dr Amutha Suman Kumar, Akshava S and Dr. Archana Prasad

Akshaya S. (II B.C.A.) brought home, a bronze medal in the 4x 100M Relay in the 20th U20 Junior Asian Athletics Championship held in South Korea from June 4 to July 7, 2023.

### SNOOKER CHAMP DOES IT AGAIN



Anupama Ramachandran (II M.Com) won a silver medal in the World Under-21 Snooker Championship held in Saudi Arabia from July 12 to July 16, 2023.

### M.O.P.IAN AT WORLD SQUASH **CHAMPIONSHIP 2023**



R. Pooja Arthi (I B.A. Sociology) was selected for the World Junior Squash Championship 2023 to be held in Melbourne, Australia, from July 16th to July 30th, 2023.

### VAISHALI: QUEEN OF THE BOARD

R. Vaishali (II M.A. HRM) won gold medals in team and individual events in the Turkiye Bankasi Chess Super League 2023 held in Ankara from July 10th to July 20th, 2023.

### M.O.P. REPRESENTED AT **WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES**



Pictured: Dr. Archana Prasad Ananya SR and Dr. Amutha Suman Kuma

Lawn tennis player Ananya S.R. (II B.B.A.) was selected for the World University Games held in China from July 28 to Aug. 8. In recognition of her stipendous achievement M.O.P. Vaishnav College extended finalcial aid to the tune of Rs 93,600 towards her travel expenditure.

### M.O.P. CONTINUES WINNING WAYS AT STATE-LEVEL CM TROPHY TOURNAMENT

- Players of M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women took part in the state-level CM Trophy Tournament and were awarded an overall cash prize of Rs. 16.37 lakh.
- The athletics team all together bagged a cash prize of Rs. 3 lakh. The participants were Akshaya S of I BCA, Babisha P of III BA Sociology, and Dhivya J of I MA- HRM.
- Janani S. of I BA. Sociology won Rs. 1 lakh in cash prize for Badminton.
- Bhuvaneshwari S. of I B.Sc Computer Science won gold in Silambam and a cash prize of Rs. 1 lakh.
- The basketball team bagged the gold medal and won Rs. 5 lakh in cash prizes.
- The winning team included: AKSHARA S-II B.Sc. CS AKSHAYA H-II B.Com. (A&F) ANGEL JEEVITHA-III B.A. Sociology ASHMITHA A-I M.A. Public Policy KRITHIKA S-III B.Com. (A&F S-2) MONICA JAYASEELI J-I M.A. Public Policy NIVETHA SHREE S - III B.Com. (A&F S-2) SRUTHY R - I M.A. Public Policy YUVASREE M - II B.Com. (A&F S-2) SATHYA K - I B.Com. CS
- M.O.P. Vaishnav won silver in the hockey and volleyball tournaments, along with a cash prize of Rs. 3.75 lakh and Rs. 2.62 lakh respectively.

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### DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

### B.A. ECONOMICS

The Economics Club of M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women, ARTH, conducted ARTH-Intramurals 2023 on Aug. 16. The events included Potpourri, Monopoly, Let's Talk Hypothetically, and Currency Designing. The events drew enthusiastic participation from all three years. All events were designed to encourage students to apply the concepts learned in the classroom in a creative manner.

### B.A. JOURNALISM

The Present Tense Club of the Journalism Programme held its inaugural guest lecture on July 18, 2023. Badges were presented to the members of the PTC and the Ministry of Communications by the guest speaker, Dr. Stanly Johny, International Affairs Editor at The Hindu. He shared his expert analysis on the topic 'Changing contours of India's foreign policy', providing students a deeper understanding of international affairs.



In Frame: Dr. Stanly Johny addresses the students

### **B.Sc. PSYCHOLOGY**

A workshop on 'Understanding Qualitative Research Methods & Paradigms', conducted by Ms. Akanksha Tated Jain, Consultant Psychologist, Element H Psychological Support Services, was held on July 26, 2023. The programme provided a fundamental understanding of qualitative research methods and highlighted various research paradigms and tools.

### B.A. SOCIOLOGY

The People's Club of the Department of Sociology, organised a guest lecture under the primary theme, 'Social Entrepreneurship'. Mr. Bala Siva, founder, ABLE Aura Foundation presided as the speaker. The lecture touched upon topics such as the purpose behind starting a social enterprise, the skills needed to be a social entrepreneur, the importance of self control and common business practices to avoid, among others.

### B.SC. MATHS

Dr. S. Sampath Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, SSN College of Engineering, Chennai, inaugurated the 2023 edition of the department club on July 20 and gave a lecture on 'Discrete Mathematics and its Applications'. The purpose of the guest lecture was to give the students a meaningful and applicable understanding of Discrete Mathematics.

### **B.Sc. DATA SCIENCE**

The Department of Information Technology, organised a workshop on July 28, 2023 titled 'Practical Applications of Machine Learning in Data Science'. The resource person, Dr. Kiruba Karuppannan is a Data Science Technical Lead at Wipro Technologies, Chennai. The workshop provided students with the skills to make a unique project with machine learning and deep learning.

### B.COM MM

The activities for the Year of Vikas in association with Wasted 360 Solutions commenced with a Waste Collection Drive that raised awareness about responsible waste disposal and promoted sustainable waste management practice. The iniative emphasised waste reduction and recycling efforts.

### M.A. COMMUNICATION

On the occasion of first year orientation, SWAGATHAM, the department organised a guest lecture on the topic 'The blurring lines between content in journalism, branding, advertising, and digital media. The speaker of the session was Daniel Thimmayya, AGM and Head of TeleHealth Services at the Apollo Telemedicine Networking Foundation. This session was conducted to discuss the convergence of journalism, branding, and advertising on digital media.

### **B.SC. COMPUTER SCIENCE**

A workshop on data visualisation using Tableau was conducted for the II year B.Sc. Computer Science students on Aug. 2, 2023 by Mr. Mahesh K.P., Senior BI Analyst, Chargebee, Chennai. The session started with the basics of data analytics, data processing, and data visualization. Representations of data using different charts were highlighted with real-time examples.

### **B.SC. VISUAL COMMUNICATION**

With the primary focus of providing insights into the B.Sc.Visual Communication Programme, two alumni networking sessions were organised for first-year students to enable their smooth integration into the programme. The session by Ms. Tabitha Ann John, a freelance Graphic Designer and Concept Developer, provided an overview of the interesting subjects, events, and internships that are part of the Vis. Com. journey and the session by Ms.Priyanka Prakash discussed the various entrepreneurial and employment opportunities available for Vis. Com. graduates.

### B.C.A

The Hash Club conducted PRAGYAAN '23, the intramurals on Aug. 3, 2023, to kindle the learning and competitive spirit among BCA students. There were six events, namely, Tech-Champ, Talk-nology, App-ly to Threats, Syntax Safari, Relay Coding, and Sketch-o-thon. Dr. Archna Prasad, Principal, unveiled the special logo to mark 25 years of the programme and distributed prizes to the winners. The overall trophy was won by III BCA.

### M.A. HRM

The M.A. HRM Programme organised a two-day workshop on advanced excel techiniques on July 4 and 5, 2023, by Ms. Gavoury, Head, IT, M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women. The objective of the programme was to empower the participants with the necessary skills to effectively analyse data, automate tasks, and create visually appealing reports using advanced Excel features.

### B.SC. ELECTRONIC MEDIA

The Montage Club conducted an interactive session with the alumni members of the Electronic Media programme, who are currently employed as film directors, musicians, photographers, and entertainment professionals. The alumni also provided deep insights into the career opportunities sought for in the fields of broadcasting and entertainment.

### B.B.A. Shift-1

A guest lecture on 'Exploring data analytics with python' by Mr. Shanmuga Sundaram, Data Science Consultant, Tasker Incorporated commenced with a comprehensive breakdown of data, information, knowledge, and intelligence. He elucidated the power of analytics, punctuating the discourse with real-world instances. These practical examples vividly illustrated how analytics precipitate business insights. By delienating the core principles and illustrating their practical implications, the lecture offered an engaging and enlightening exploration into the realm of data analytics and business intelligence.

### B.B.A. Shift-2

A workshop on questionnaire design was conducted by the Department of B.B.A. The workshop began with Dr. Kamatchi Preethi, faculty of B.com MM, M.O.P. Vaishnav College. Dr. Kamatchi laid out the ABCs of research; why we need research, what is the purpose of research, and the conditions under which the research is feasible. She emphasised on the importance of review of the literature and the basis of questionnie design. She also outlined the structure of a questionnaire in a detailed and comprehensive manner, using a standard example for better understanding.

### B.COM (Accounting & Finance) Shift-1

A guest lecture on the topic 'Business Canvas Model Creation' was organised on July 25, 2023. The speaker Mr. Satish Rajendran explained what exactly is a business canvas model and how one can be created. Students were taught the nine building blocks of a business model design template. The speaker also provided examples of business model templates for various existing products on the market, providing in-depth clarity about the topic.

### B.COM (Accounting & Finance) Shift-2

The club activities of the department were initiated on July 20, 2023. Ms. Sai Maithreye, President of the Luminescence Club, addressed the gathering and briefly highlighted the upcoming activities to be conducted for this academic year. A promo for the flagship event in the club's year-ahead proposal was screened.

### M.SC. IT

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The Department of Information Technology conducted a guest lecture on 'Career Guidance and Goal Setting', which focused on career goals for young adults. The session covered different types of roles in IT companies as well as the key differences between service- and product-based companies. The resource person, Ms. Anandasakthi C.K.R.K., enlightened students about preparing for interviews with service- and product-based companies.

### B.COM (Finance & Taxation)

A guest lecture on the topic 'Audit in an Automated Environment' was conducted by the programme of B.com (Finance & Taxation) on 28 July, 2023. The resource person for the session was trainer, motivational speaker and Charatered Accountant C.A Anand Pattabiraman.



In Frame: C.A. Anand Pattabiraman addresses students

### M.B.A.

The M.B.A. programme conducted two editons of the popular programme 'Rendezvouz with Writers'. Mr. Pravin Shekar enlightened the students on how to brand themselves, generate a revenue model, and execute to perfection using marketing approaches designed for the corporate world. An engaging session by Rakhi Kapoor, intended to inspire young women, ended with mental imprints of the importance of working on failures, prioritising, keeping emotional intelligence in check, and working on activities that lead to the achievement of predetermined goals.

### Department of Food Science

The Prakriti Club of the department organised a guest lecture commemorating Breastfeeding Week on 'Nutrition for Sustainable Health and Insight on Breastfeeding' on Aug. 3, 2023. The invited speaker was Mrs. Iswarya Murali, Certified Sports Nutritionist, International Olympic Committee. She highlighted the essence of health, unveiled the seven foundational pillars that underpin it, and elaborated on the importance of breastfeeding.

### M.A. PUBLIC POLICY

The Department of Public Policy participated in a seminar on 'Know Your Rights: Legal Awareness for Women' held at Women's Christian College, Chennai, on July 24, 2023. The students also participated in a two-day film festival on 'Urban Climate' organized by the Alliance Française of Madras, Chennai, on July 27 and 28, 2023. The Public Policy programme also inaugurated the 'Mise-en-scène' club, exclusively to screen co-curricular documentaries and feature films for students. The film club launched its activities on Aug. 4 with the screening of film 'Kashmir Files,' based on social and political turmoil in Jammu and Kashmir.

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### **ENGLISH**

The Department of English, in collaboration with Prakriti Foundation, screened 'The Seeds of Vandana Shiva', a feature-length documentary that narrates the fascinating life story of Gandhian eco-activist and agro-ecologist Vandana Shiva, on July 27, 2023. Post-screening, the students had an interactive session with Mr. Jino J Ampakkadu, the Outreach Coordinator of Prakriti Foundation.

### Languages -TAMIL

A workshop was organised by the Department of Tamil on the topic 'Cultivating the Art of Writing.' The speaker for the event was Mr. Sasi S. Kumar, a well-known writer from Dubai. The students learned about writing skills and various methods to attract readers. He explained the history of short stories and enlightened the students about the difference between past and present forms of writing.



In Frame : Mr. Sasi S. Kumar felicitated

### Languages -FRENCH

The French club Les Facettes conducted a workshop titled 'Strategies to Learn French' in association with the French Department, Ethiraj College on July 15, 2023. The workshop was organised by Ms. Joy Deborah, assistant professor, French Department, Ethiraj College. In the insightful and interactive workshop, Ms. Deborah suggested various strategies for learners to get a good grasp on French.

### Languages - HINDI

Hindi Club Manjari organised a guest lecture on the topic 'Importance of Functional Hindi' for first-year UG students. The chief guest for this event was Ms. Aruna, Rajbhasha Adhikari, Chennai Port Authority. She gave an informative presentation about the importance of learning functional Hindi and its advantages in obtaining employment in various fields.



In Frame: Dr. Sudha Trivedi presents Ms. Aruna with a memento

# SWAADISHT

Being a student at M.O.P. Vaishnav can be a high-voltage journey. The rigour of College activities ensures that students rise to their potential, be it in academics, co-curricular, or extra-curricular pursuits. Therefore, a nook where students can take a breather and thrash out the trending memes becomes essential. Swaadisht, the newly launched campus food-court, provides such a nook. Since its inauguration on July 14, 2023, by Masterchef India finalist Ms. Aruna Vijay, break-times find the foodcourt buzzing with students clustered around the communal tables relishing the tasty offerings, and catching up with one another. While reputed vendors like Hot Breads and Nithya Amirtham ensure hygienic, diverse and tasty food choices, the layout and design make for a youthful and stylish ambience. Choices of seating include spacious tables, as well as wall-mounted tables and funky stools for a quick bite. The modern light fixtures with mellow lighting enhance the ambience. Practical improvements include extra sinks and garbage cans neatly marked for source segregation. Now on the menu are the perennial favourites - pasta, sandwiches and chaats - of course, but also coconut poli, ghee roast, adai, and even kozhukattai. Baked goods aficionados may sample high-quality snacks like doughnuts, puffs, pizzas, pocket nibbles and cookies, with refreshing sodas to wash them down.

### **SWAGATHAM 2023**

M.O.P. extended a warm welcome to the freshers' 2023 through a three-day online induction programme, 'Swagatham'. The First-Year Student Induction Programme was conducted with the aim of familiarising new students with the college environment, academic curriculum, college rules, and to help them explore the various opportunities awaiting them. The programme included sessions on curriculum orientation, college rules, engagement through programme clubs, a comprehensive campus tour, and capped off with an inspiring address by the Principal. This module aimed to integrate freshers into the M.O.P. community.



In Frame: Principal Dr. Archna Prasad addresses the freshers at SWAGATHAM

### INSHOTS

### FRESHERS' DAY





At the Freshers' Day held on July 15, 2023, the first-years participated in events like 'Where's my Oscar?', a treasure hunt and Red Carpet Rhapsody, a talent hunt. The event, organised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs, Vice -Principal Dr. Sumangala Devi. K. C., and the controller of examinations Dr. Uthira.D, judged the competitions and presented prizes to the victors.

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### International Yoga Day



M.O.P. celebrated the 9th International Yoga Day themed 'Yoga for Humanity' on July 21, 2023. The event was graced by Dr. Mahadevan, Director of Physical Education, Madras University.

### **Handloom Exhibition**



The Incubation Cell of the College in assosiation with Co-optex organised an Handloom Awareness Camp on July 21 as part of an Entrepreneurship Experience Programme.

### **Mom's Club**





The Mom's Club of the College organised a workshop for mothers of all first-year students, aimed at enlightening them on parenting their teenage daughter as they enter a new phase of life. The session, held on July 15, 2023, was handled by Ms. Mina Dillip, Consultant Psychologist, British High Commission.





### HIGHER NIRF RANKING

The constant journey of improvement at M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women received heartening validation this year. The National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) listings for 2023 released by the Ministry of Education elevated the college into the prestigious rank band of 101–150.

## Appreciation For M.O.P.

M.O.P. Vaishnav College has always prided itself on encouraging students to step out of the classroom to participate in various co-curricular events to gain exposure and knowledge and to expand their network. In recognition of these efforts, specifically for encouraging the students to participate in the Science Olympiad conducted by Rosatom(the Russian Nuclear State Corporation)the lege was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation at Precise Energy 2023, a programme designed to promote STEMbased education.

## M.O.P. PRESENTED WITH EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD

M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women received the Excellence in Education Award from the Tamil Nadu Advanced Technical Training Institute at 'Vidiyal 2023,' a job fair held by the organisation in June this year.

## PRINCIPAL RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED EDUCATOR AWARD

The services rendered by Principal Dr. Archna Prasad in teaching and administration were recognised by the social service organisation RK Foundation, with the Distinguished Educator Award in August 2023.

# TIMES RANKING FOR BBA RISES

The Times BBA Education Ranking Survey 2023, released by the Times of India, has ranked the M.O.P. Vaishnav BBA programme 48th in the country, a jump from the 56th position the programme previously enjoyed in 2018. The survey took into consideration three key dimensions: resources, efforts, and outcomes.

### STUDENT SCORES BIG IN THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

S. Sri Haripriya, a second year student pursuing undergrad in B.Sc. Mathematics at M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women, secured third place in the International Science Olympiad conducted in July 2023 by Rosatom in association with the Russian Centre of Science and Culture, Chennai. Around 20 students from the mathematics programme took part.