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Jyoti Nivas College Autonomous follows certain best practices to aid students in applying their knowledge, resolving real-time challenges and accelerating their decision-making abilities. Some of them are:

- **Curriculum Design And Curriculum Extension For Excellence In Higher Education, Employability And Entrepreneurship**

The objective of this practice is to Encourage students to develop skill sets required in today's world.

- **Innovative Pathways For The Comprehensive Development Of Young Women**

The institution caters to young women coming from various backgrounds. Paying attention to their cognitive development.

- **Pioneering measures, amidst the pandemic, towards continued holistic growth of young women**

It was carried out to, ensure emotional wellness, aiding fringe communities, offering economic assistance to students and remote access to library resources.

- **Happiness APP**

It is specifically designed to assess and monitor students' happiness and psychological well-being.

- **Library Interface**

JNC library's mobile interface enables the

students to access library e-resources 24x7.

- **Newspaper Subscription**

All the Students from the Department of Commerce and Management subscribe to the Economic Times which keeps them abreast about all the latest trends, changes and developments in every arena.

- **Mentor-Ward System**

Regular mentor ward and mentor parent meetings are conducted to build a rapport with the students and their parents. This system recognises the need for the students to have a friend, counsellor and confidant on campus.

- **Counselling**

Envision, JNC's Ideation Unit, and Aura, JNC's Networking Community, with the assistance of 9 counselling interns from different colleges provided peer support services, professional innovative consulting in personal life issues, academic concerns, emotion and stress management, mental health concerns and much more.

- The faculty and students of JNC have ensured a dynamic and meaningful year of multiple activities and achievements. The college has signed MOUs with reputed institutions and industries to establish collaborative educational, research and training opportunities. Collaborative activities both at the academic and industry level to strengthen

the partnership have been organised. In addition to their teaching responsibilities, the faculty of JNC are engaged in a variety of academic pursuits.

Our Principal, Dr. Sr Lalitha Thomas represented India at the Asian Synod meeting held in Bangkok in February 2023. It was a proud moment for all of us, as she was the only woman delegate from India.

The following faculty members have been awarded patents-

- Dr. Raghu Ningegowda, Department of Chemistry
- Dr. Percy, Dr. Philcy and Dr. Priya of the MBA Department
- Mr. Nikhil Banerjee of the Centre for Media Studies



The following faculty have received grants-

- Dr. Raghu Ningegowda of the Department of Chemistry was awarded a research grant of Rs. 15 lakh from VGST, Govt of Karnataka.
- Dr. Percy, Dr. Philcy and Dr. Priya of the MBA department were awarded Rs 1.25 lakh by ICSSR for a minor research project on the COVID-19 effect and the future of the garment sector in Bengaluru.
- Dr. Vasudha of the Sociology department was sanctioned Rs 1,25,000/- by the ICSSR

for a minor research project on “Coping with Covid Pandemic – Social Determinants of the Vaccination in an Urban Setting”.

- Dr. Tamilarasu and Dr. Gracy Mathan, Department of Commerce and Management are working on a project funded by Jyoti Nivas College.



Capt. H K Roopa Rani was awarded the ‘Best Paper Award’ by the Center for Distance Education Virtual Learning, Jain Deemed-to-be University.

Capt. Roopa Rani and Dr. Sarita Rawat were honoured



with ‘Rashtrabhasha Seva Ratna Puraskar’ for promoting Hindi Language and Literature in non-Hindi speaking areas.

Capt H K Roopa Rani and JUO Jaishree B N were honoured for their outstanding service in NCC during the TVS Eurogrip, Brunch and Biking Bike Rally.



The MCA faculty are working on major research projects – Design and Development of the College Management Information System (CMIS) and Automatic Answer Script Valuation System funded by the college.



Ms. Vinutha R Bhatta received the Women Scientist Award for her research contributions in the field of Urban Bee Conservation and Sustainable Urban Development.



Dr. Priyadarshini Pillai received the Best Academician Award from St. Mother Theresa University for Digital Education for her project on the sustainability

of ecosystems in urban spaces. She also completed a pilot project on tree census at Lower Ambalipura Lake, which had wide media coverage.



Dr. Preeti Mangala's Ph.D. student has submitted her thesis to Bangalore University.



Dr. Tamlarasu is guiding two Ph.D. Scholars from Bharathiar University. Dr Reema Orison

Lobo and Dr Soumya have been recognized as Research Guides by Annamalai University.

7 professors have completed projects funded by Karnataka Science and Technology Academy (KSTA).

Soumya K published a training manual on "Mass production of Trichogramma chilonis" for farmers.



Dr. Susheela from the English Department edited a book titled "Gender and Feminism-Understanding and Empowering Women".

44 faculty members are pursuing their Ph. D programmes at various universities. Our faculty are members of Boards of Studies in institutions as university nominees and subject experts. As resource persons for national and international webinars, they share their expertise.

We congratulate Dr Sajan George who is celebrating his 25th year at JNC, and we would like to thank the following staff members who have achieved superannuation for their years of dedicated service to the institution-

- Dr. Shantha
- Dr. Thankamma George
- Ms. Sreedevi K.R
- Dr. Lalitha V Raman
- Dr. Grace S Thomas
- Dr. Ramaa Raju
- Dr. Rani Titus
- Ms. Geetha Mathew

The management truly appreciates your efforts, dedication and commitment in making learning a lifetime experience. You have left behind a legacy as great teachers and mentors.

Last year saw many achievements by both faculty and students along with the successful implementation of NEP 2020. We place on record the following achievements:

- Ms. Kavitha, Doctoral student, Department of Chemistry was awarded PhD by Bangalore University under the guidance of Dr Grace Thomas.
- Jyoti Nivas College was awarded 6th Best College in Karnataka by Education World.
- Our college received the Best Institution Award for NCC in Women's category for Karnataka and Goa Directorate on 7th February 2023.
- We ranked in the silver band in the Outcome Based Education Ranking for the year 2022 by R World Institutional Ranking.
- Recognition from the Institute Innovation Council (IIC), by the Ministry of Education, Govt of India for conducting various activities to promote Innovation and start-ups on campus.
- We have three more research centres in Computer Science, Commerce and Management and English by BCU.

PhD Award

The following staff were awarded PhD Degree during the academic year of 2022-23

- Dr. Vidya H. S
- Dr. Harathi D
- Dr. Divya Joseph
- Dr. Swarnamugi
- Dr. Vinutha R Bhatta



A number of our staff presented papers at national and international conferences and seminars and published papers in reputed national and international peer-reviewed journals. In addition, several faculties published books and chapters in books.

In the current academic year-

- Papers presented- 33
- Papers published- 72
- Faculty as Resource persons- 51
- Books published- 3
- BOS/BOE Members- 26

The Incubation Centre Council and the Institute's Innovation Council have conducted several sessions on Word and Excel skills, writing resumes, kitchen and terrace gardening, bio-composting, and financial literacy.

Research internships were provided for undergraduate students to strengthen students' ties between academia and vocation. Final-year students were required to complete a 60-hour internship in January 2023 to encourage students in creating networks and identifying their career goals. As part of their curriculum, second-year students are encouraged to undergo internships in their related fields.

JNC offers courses on Springboard, SWAYAM and NPTEL which provide high-quality professional learning and certifications which are invaluable to students' resumes.

Several free and paid career-oriented courses are regularly conducted by various departments to enhance students' skills.

The JNC library encourages the habit of reading among students, creates inquisitiveness, disseminates knowledge and encourages lifelong learning through its reading materials and resources. They provide access to specialised resources and services that help students and the faculty to achieve their academic and research goals.

It conducts various activities to nurture the young minds and keep them actively engaged. Some of the activities conducted by the library include

- Book exhibitions to commemorate important Indian leaders and events
- Digital screening of a documentary on Dr. Ambedkar
- Online quiz and drawings competitions to celebrate Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav
- Latest book display
- Competitions on bookmark- and mask-making
- Selfie contest
- Virtual book talks and much more.

Fests are conducted to enhance the leadership and organising skills of students. Following are the fests conducted by various departments.

1. Mediatron and Open Mic
2. A French comedy in English - Mama Moshi performed for DEBUT-the public drama platform.
3. French Gastronomy, Bon Appetit.
4. Intra collegiate fest Rockefeller and inter collegiate fest Arbitrium and Terraforma.



5. National Level Intercollegiate fest "Vidhya 2022"
6. "TECHNACK" a National Level Undergraduate IT Fest.



7. National Level Fest – Utopia 2023.
8. Inter-collegiate fest VIGNANA VISMAYA.
9. Manthanein the inter-collegiate fest
10. Manifest 2023

Co-curricular and extra curricular activities are meant to bring social and intellectual skills, moral values, personality progress and character appeal in students. Different departments have organised various activities, including-

- PSYNAPSE, the intra-collegiate psychology exhibition
- Deceptive advertisement- a street play
- Influencer marketing- the way ahead
- Innovative idea presentation
- Bio fiesta- inter-class fest
- 72 hours film making challenge and 25 film screenings were organised
- AURORA- 2023- Intra collegiate programme.
- Dandiya evening



- E-Quiz competition on union budget and economics
- Interclass drama competition "Page to Stage" and creative writing competition.
- Kannada drama
- Logo designing competition and physics quiz
- Empresario- Inter collegiate entrepreneurship week

The vibrant and committed students of JNC are young achievers, participating and winning prizes in prestigious state and national level curricular, extra-curricular and sports events. Several students have presented papers and posters at international and national seminars, published books, and research papers as well as articles, poems and short stories in reputed journals.

Chitwan Kaur won 1st place for paper presentation in Economics in the event 'Veritas', an inter-collegiate competition organised by Christ University.

Jyothika and Shobhika won first place for their research paper at the International Media Psychology Conference

Two teams of our college qualified for the Grand Finale of the Smart India Hackathon - a nationwide initiative of the Govt. of India, held in Jaipur and Sikkim respectively and won recognition.

MBA students won 1st place in a competition on Union Budget and Business Plan at RV Institute of Management Studies. They bagged the Overall Championship at the HR Conclave. They also won the 1st and 2nd prizes in Business Quiz organised by Kristu Jayanti College.

MCA students won a cash prize of Rs. 50,000 for their prototype submitted to a Hackathon event organised by Christ University in association with Wignet India Pvt Ltd.

Ms. Keenisha Kannan has won the First Prize and has been awarded seed money of Rs. 15,000/- in the workshop 'Design Thinking for Social Entrepreneurship – Bring Your Own Idea' organised by the Institution Innovation Council and E-Cell of Jyoti Nivas College.

Amrutha Krishna Kumar Reddy and Jennifer Sheriff Daniel won first place in Science Journalism organised by B.V. Jagadeesh Science Centre in collaboration with the Govt of Karnataka at Kuvempu Bhasha Bharathi Pradhikara.

M. Pavithra became the 1st Cadet from Karnataka to receive the OTA Sword of Honour for the year 2022 and she has also been commissioned into the Indian Army. NCC cadet Jaishree BN was awarded the DDG Commendation card.

Sameeksha Pandey won first place in a Poetry Competition by Hindi Parishad at Jain University.

Farnas Musha, Farah Hagira, Alfia Kulsum and Nawaal were honoured for securing above 90 marks in the Hindi Examination.

Bhavya V represented Jyoti Nivas College at the NSS National Adventure Camp in Himachal Pradesh.

Titas Talukdar received the Best Female Performer at IFIM College Bangalore.

The college drama club Dramatica won 1st place in the musical category and a cash prize of Rs 10,000 at the National level drama competition held at IFIM Bangalore.

K.R. Srilekha won first prize at the National Level Solo Indian Dance Competition held at Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy.

Srijani Ghosh, Sanskriti Tyagi and Umaima Ambar secured first place in "Sequentia", an intercollegiate fest organised by the Department of Biotechnology, St Joseph's University.

At the Bengaluru City University State Level Inter-Collegiate Sports Meet, Shrinidhi N won a silver medal in Chess.

At Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad, Karnataka, Hepzibha got 1st place in 100 mts while Harshita got 3rd place. The JNC 4 x100 mts relay team got 2nd place and our Throw Ball team was runner up.

Our football team secured first place at St. Joseph's College of Commerce.

We have built up a strong Alumni-Industry Connect by appointing our alumni as industry experts on Boards of Studies and inviting them as Resource persons.

The Alumni Association distributed scholarships to the tune of Rs 1 lakh to 10 deserving students. After 3 years, JNC organised an Alumni meet which was attended by 450 students. A lively interaction with the students has helped us build a strong alumni-academia connection.

Every year the college organises several conferences, seminars, workshops and exhibitions in keeping with the Vision of our institution - Communion, Excellence, Service and Relevance.

To train faculty members on the outcome-based education and to adopt student-centric approaches in teaching, the IQAC of the college organised a 6-Day International Faculty Development Programme on "Promoting Quality Culture for Quality Enhancement".

Three quality improvement programmes were conducted to sensitise and motivate the faculty to different pedagogical approaches and to make teaching-learning more holistic and inclusive.

A three-day workshop was organised by the Department of Zoology and Genetics on 'The

Management of Common Insect Pests in Urban Gardens' funded by the Karnataka Science and Technology Academy (KSTA).

Jyoti Summit 2022, An International Conference on "Governance & Ethics as a Policy in Education" was organised in November 2022.

Jyoti Filmato, the 7th edition of the International Student Film Festival organised by The Centre for Media Studies saw 177 short films and curated film entries.



National Seminar on 'Make in India and MSME Sector – Opportunities and Challenges', was organised by the Department of Economics and sponsored by Indian Council of Social Sciences Research, Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad in association with Xavier Board and CCK a State Level Seminar was hosted by JNC.

The thrust this year has been on recent trends in particular disciplines, eco-sustainability, entrepreneurship, mental health and wellness, women's issues, respect for life and acquiring employability skill sets.

During the present academic year

- Number of Webinars conducted- 18
- Number of seminars conducted-8
- Number of conferences- 3
- Number of Panel discussions- 2
- Number of Alumni connect- 20
- Number of Guest talks- 40
- Number of exhibitions-10

- Number of workshops- 32
- Number of FDPs- 2
- Number of QIPs- 3

JNC's Innovation Council motto is- "To explore innovative ideas, incubating substantial competitive advantage towards global entrepreneurship and sustainable startups." In the 2022-23 academic year, they have achieved the following-

- Dr Priyadarshini Pillai and Dr Reema Lobo have completed the Innovation Ambassador training program conducted by the Ministry of Education.
- Innovative IT Fest, 'IDEAINNERVE,' was held in campus
- The Idea pitching competition- Ideate was conducted
- A few students were highlighted by the Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and Industry in appreciation of their research on markets
- On Women's Day, the ICC, in collaboration with the E-Cell, conducted a workshop entitled 'Design Thinking for Social Entrepreneurship'
- A soap-making workshop was held to encourage entrepreneurial activity, in collaboration with Plum and Plush
- "BEST OUT OF WASTE" where Students made various models out of reusable and recyclable materials. They shared their ideas with students from Government Model School, Adugodi and Grammar School, which was well appreciated.
- Envision- The JNC Innovation Forum houses student ventures such as-
 - Self-healing, through cathartic writing.
 - Comfort Clothing through recycled products.
 - The Hummingbird, a mental health initiative to raise awareness around and promote mental well-being.
 - Yoga and Wellness Studio as an experimental source by our alumna
 - In addition to this we have several student start-ups in the area of, jewellery art space, book publication space, handmade masks, to name a few.
- The Khayaal Ring, the elderly well-being monitor app

Jyoti Nivas College is a missionary institution with service as its cornerstone. A significant practice in our college is social outreach, in keeping with our motto to turn out socially committed young women. Social outreach and community engagement activities are regularly carried out to inculcate a spirit of community service in young minds. Service towards the under-privileged has always been our focus.

Social outreach activities help to mould our students to become beacons of love, courage, wisdom and communion. Social outreach activities hone our students to become guides and mentors in the future, to be socially committed, spiritually enlightened and morally upright. Outreach activities inculcate in students familial, social, moral and spiritual values and enable them to develop a more humane and compassionate outlook.

Every student has to mandatorily put in 90 hours of outreach over three years. Students visit old age homes, orphanages, rehabilitation centres, government schools and hospitals and render their services. Some of the events towards this end include-

- Anti Drug Walkathons

- 'Freedom Cyclothon' in keeping with the "Go Green India" initiative of the Government of India
- Cardiothon to raise funds for paediatric and neonatal heart surgeries at Jayadeva Hospital for underprivileged children.
- Distribution of food, books and stationery in Government schools, orphanages, hospitals and St Anthony's Friary Church
- Awareness programmes on menstrual hygiene, cyber crimes and sexual harassment
- Clean up drives to raise awareness on pollution
- Free medical camps and eye checkup camps for Government school children of Adugodi, villagers of Gollahalli and staff and students of our college, followed by distribution of free spectacles to the villagers and glasses at subsidised rates for students
- Project Handful, the proceeds from which were used to distribute groceries and sarees to 55 underprivileged families.
- Hair donation drive for wig preparation of cancer patients
- Recycling programme of clothes, accessories, school stationery, the proceeds of which went to the residents of Ejipura slum during Christmas.
- Making 8-10 layered quilts from old cloth materials for the children of underprivileged families.
- Blood donation camps and Book Donation Drive.



- Feeding stray animals
- Several faculty and students participated in teaching the less privileged
 - o Basic Computer Skills workshop - Government School, Adugodi
 - o Jewellery making to women and English and Maths to the children of Gollahalli - NSS Camp
 - o Visits to Government High School, Adugodi - to teach Kannada, Maths, Science, English, Geography
 - o Visits by students to St. Joseph's School, Whitefield every Saturday - to teach the children various subjects

The Centre for Media Studies launched a 'Launchpad' with co-working space, the first ever in South India and first in a women's college, to support graduating students to be media practitioners, by providing them with equipment studio, labs and consultancy.

The Department of Psychology is offering free online counselling services across the world to people in need through the Instagram Profile "manasijn".

Jyoti Nivas College also observes all important days and festivals of national and local importance to express our love and solidarity with our nation, pride in our culture, respect for our leaders, awareness of national and global concerns, and messages of national integrity, peace, harmony and brotherhood.



Value Education classes and assemblies over the public address system are held every week to inculcate human values and professional ethics.

Several green initiatives are also undertaken. Activities are also carried out to inculcate eco-consciousness.

- Tree Census at Lower Ambalipura Lake
- Lake cleaning drive at Agara Lake
- Mega tree plantation drive Nutri Garden Plantation Drive, a community service initiative for the remand home children of Juvenile Justice Board, Madiwala
- Exhibition on the importance of sustainability
- “Digital Detox”, a rare activity and the first of its kind in Jyoti Nivas, with all staff and students taking a break from smartphones for 3 hours and “Exchanging Online Distraction for Real Life Interaction”
- Activities to make JNC a plastic free campus
- Project “Save the Planet” – e waste awareness drive

Equity, access, innovation and inclusivity must be the mantra of education. The core values of faith in God, truth, honesty, team spirit, relationship-building, women empowerment, upliftment of the disempowered, nation-building and service to society are upheld.

Within women is the power to create, nurture and transform. From solving problems to decision making, from building bridges to saving lives, from working in the fields to sitting in the Parliament, women have immense nation-building capacity. At Jyoti Nivas, students become women with determination, compassion, wisdom, and empathy. A strong resurgent India needs such women. This is the vision and mission of Jyoti Nivas.

Every young woman who enters the portals of JNC inherits the graduate attributes of social competence, skill-based competence and value-based competence, which will not only help them be successful, but also mould them to face the world when they leave the portals of Jyoti Nivas.

The graduation ceremony was organised for the final-year batch of 2020-2023. It symbolised the culmination of their academic journey and the beginning of a new chapter in their lives.

