SOULEGE (AUTOMOUS)

XAVIERS HOSTEL

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REPORT ON ALL ACTIVITIES (2012-2018)

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- Activities that are introduced and implemented in an academic year 2016-2017.
- 1. Online election for hostel representatives was held.
- 2. The admission of students held in hostel was completely done through internet. This not only made as the process of saving the students, data but also the office task.
- 3. Daily newspapers were distributed in order to develop the social responsibility among the students
- 4. Roads of the hostel were rectified and new path ways were laid.
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- **3.** This year's pongal celebration was started with holy mass and pongal was offered by the students in the playground between

Gandhi and Nehru blocks. The holy mass was conducted by headmaster Rev.Fr. Wilson S.J of St.Xavier's higher secondary school. A keynote on the eve of pongal was delivered by director father Rev.S.ArokkiyaSamy S.J following this,a debate on the topic of "who is the reason for the reduction of number of students in Tamil medium? Parents or situations" was conducted in the outdoors at 8:30 pm this debate was held under the leadership of Mr.Lego teacher of St.Xavier's Higher Secondary School.

Relationship with parents

On February 5, Parents Director Meet was conducted for the hostel students. Rev.Fr.T. Martin S.J, offered a speech insisting that parents should be friendlier with the students. Principal father Rev.Britto Vincentalso offered aspeech about the duties of parents. Students named GauthamandNirmal shared the experience of the hostel .Director father explained about the activities that were launched for the well-being of the students. Later,parents shared their opinion

Group activities

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Hostel function

'Paichal-17' (Hostel day celebration) was celebrated on February 25.Advocate J.Arthur Kumar, participated and got the appreciation of the student by conversing through hisexperience about students protest and Recovery of Humanity. Art of several lands were staged .A debate on the topic of "which contributes more to the development of students? Family or college". Prof.Dr.David Appadurai acted as the moderator. Professors, Mr.Antony raj, Mr.Magimai Arul Ignatius, Mrs.Jesintha Mary and Mr.Prince added grace by participating as orator for the debate.

Farewell

Farewell day for senior students was conducted on march16. Father A.ArokkiyaSamy S.J,conducted the holy mass for farewell cultural programs were conducted at night. Five students shared their hostel experience.

Thanks

We convey our gratitude to Rev.Fr.T.Sahayaraj S.J Hostel Director of last year, A.Selvaraj S.J and Jesu raja S.J who served as assistant director and assistant professors Dr.J.Rejinis and S. Jose Vivek Anton. We also thank Mr.G.Lawrence who worked as electrician, in last year got transferred to St.Xavier's Hr.Sec. School.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2015-2016

XAVIER HOSTEL:

Xavier hostel of our college has been forming thousands of young men since its inception in the year 1936. The new academic year started with the Fresher's day on 8th July 2015 INBOCO user guide was released on 13 August 2015 during the birthday celebration of the director that coincided that day. The following are the activities carried out in St. Xavier Hostel during this academic year 2015-16

- New Initiatives
- First time in the hostel history, online voting was conducted to select the student representatives for this year.
- This year hostel admission was first time done by online, which has made the office work Simplified.
- IAS coaching classes have been organized for 60 hours spread for 20 days of classes on weekends. 25 students have enrolled their names and attend classes regularly.
- To promote reading habit, Readers club has been started this year onwards.
- Planting trees is one form of preserving nature; another way is recycle in the form of waste management. As a part of this process a poultry form has been created to raise chicken, rabbit, goat, dog etc. The leaves from the garden will be used as feed for the poultry and the waste from poultry will be used as feed for the plants.
- A new facelift has been given to the spaces between Xavier and Loyola blocks. A new pathway
 has been created on the space for walking.
- In line with the invitation by the Holy Father Pope Francis through his encyclical "Lauda to Si", we have named Xavier Hostel Garden as St. Francis of Assissi Gardern.
- We have admitted for the first time a physically challenged person who has a sight Deficiency.

2) Spiritual formation

• To take care of the spiritual needs of the catholic students, Holy mass is organized on every Wednesday morning in the hostel and Students are encouraged to participate in other spiritual activities of the campus.

3) Skill formation

- News paper readings encouraged by providing daily news paper to each room.
- INBOCO competitions keep the students much engaged creatively and thereby providing a good ambience for healthy life and study
- There are 32 events planned and being executed under INBOCO
- series of orientation talks are arranged under this title. Six special themes are conducted this year; the last one being TN Election 2016.

4) Green and Clean Campus

• Last year we have planted 1000 trees in the hostel campus as a second round this academic year also we have already planted 600 trees and another few hundreds are yet to be planted as part of Green Campus plan.

5) Counseling

• Counseling to the hostel students is much strengthened with the coming of Rev. Fr. Vedhanayagam S.J, the former principal of St. Xavier's College is available both in the morning and night hours to cater to the needs of the shift 1 and shift 2 students. He gives one hour to each students and the students are much benefited

6) Celebrations

- Christmas this year was celebrated with holy mass in the morning,. In the evening crib competition was held where Nehru block won the rolling trophy. Rev. Fr. Jerald Ravi was the special guest who gave the Christmas message.
- "Who is responsible for the evils in society? The Rulers or the Ruled" was the topic for special Pattimandram on the occasion of Pongal this year. The holy mass followed by Pongal preparation by our students won the appreciation of all.

7) Physical Health of the Students

- Nilavembu Kasayam and Chukku Coffee were supplied to our students during the rainy season
- A target of 1000 kg vegetables to produce in the garden was set in the beginning of the
 academic year. Thanks to the effort of the enviro club members. So far the garden has yielded
 800kg vegetables already. But for the excessive rain, we could have crossed the target this year

8) Net working

a) With Parents

- Parents Director Meet was held in the month of August 2015 at the beginning of the academic year. Parents expressed their satisfaction about the way hostel is run and they promised their fullest co. operation.
- Parents feel free to call us anytime to enquire about students and they are informed of the various activities of the hostel periodically

b) With the College

• NSS students of the college gave a helping hand to remove the weeds in the garden and the play ground area.

c) With College Prayer Group:

• Consisting of Dr. Arulraj (Maths) Dr. Ravi Jesuraj (Tamil) Dr. Chritopher (Botany). they conduct prayer in the hostel on every Monday evening and whenever we arrange special prayers.

d) With Alumnai:

• It is our aim to create a Hostel Alumnai forum soon. Hostel website has a page about hostel alumnai. An invitation is uploaded in the hostel website for them to register

10) Team Work

All of these above activities are carried out with the commitment and professional planning and execution by the director Rev. Dr. Sahayaraj S.J., along with Deputy Director Br. Peter S.J., Fr. Arul Ravi, S.J., and the committed Assistant Directors, Staff and Co- Workers. All of us make a wonderful team that brings in a healthy atmosphere in the campus, maintaining discipline and cordial interaction among the students. The Hostel day is be celebrated on 5th March 2016. Hostel Co-workers tour will be organized from 18th Friday night till 20th Sunday March 2016 Morning.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2014-2015

XAVIER'S HOSTEL

Started with the purpose of helping students who come far away from the college area to stay and study, the Xavier hostel of our college has been forming thousands of young men since its inception in the year 1936. This year, the Academic inaugural and Fresher's Welcome party was celebrated on 2nd July 2014. Fr.Rector Rev.Dr.Danis Ponniah S.,J., was the president and Rev.Fr.Principal and Rev.Fr.Secretary were the Chief Guests.

The New Director Rev. Dr.T. Sahayaraj S.J., in his welcome address introduced a new focus to the running of the hostel by way of students formation, skill development and discipline. Keeping these ideals as the central theme a new initiative was introduced for this academic year in the name of INBOCO-2k14 (Inter Block Competition 2014). A book (a user guide) about INBOCO containing various cultural, Sports and other extracurricular activities, the name of the participants, its rules & regulations, the dates of the events, was released by Fr.Rector and the copy was given to Fr. Principal. Holy Eucharistic celebration is organized every Wednesday for the catholic students.

The first event of the INBOCO, Solo singing was held at 13th August 2014. Another epic success of this academic year is Parents-Director Meet held on 24h August 2014. Large number of Parents participated in this meeting. Fr. Director and Parents shared many things about the students welfare for the academic year 2014-15. During the meeting, we have launched a new website (www.xaho.in) for the hostel. From that day onwards all the records of the hostel are

maintained through online process including mess fee and day today events of the hostel. Two days after the parent's meet the second event of the INBOCO Tamil and English Elocution was held.

Another new feature in the academic year is the creation of many clubs. We have started many clubs like, En viro Club, Blood Donation Club, Choir and Liturgy Club, Tamil and English Drama clubs. To inculcate a sense of love & respect for nature, with the help of environment club along with the Dept. of Forestry, on 19h September 2014, we planted 1000 Trees in our campus. Since then, for the first time in the history, we had continuous rain for more than a month that sustained the frees and they are during very well with the new irrigation system connecting two wells in the campus. On 17th September 2014, the Admad & Group Dance Fusion was held in the Mother Teresa Auditorium. This year, we have conducted all the sports meet as League basis. The first League Series of Football, Basket Ball and Volley Ball were held during the month of July and September. The Second League series of Football, Basketball and Volley ball were held during the month of October and December. The INBOCO cultural Admad & Group Dance Fusion were conducted on 10th October 2014.

Month of November is not only the semester season but rainy season, Heavy rain may also bring in many disease like flu, etc. Keeping this in mind, for a healthy living of the hostel students, we provided Chukku Coffee at night after the supper. To protect our students from fever and other infection, Our Hostel Blood Donation Club organised in collaboration with the Government Sidha College, a Nila Vembu Kasayam (Health Care Drink) camp at our hostel from 12th November to 14th November 2014.

To orient our students with values and new ideas, till now we have arranged programmes with great personalities under the title "THALAIVANAGA", to become a leader"

Month of December is a month of celebrations. We celebrated the Christmas function in our hostel on 18th December 2014. We have conducted the Inter Block Crib Competition among the students. In this competition, Gandhi Block won the Winner trophy and the Britto Block won the Runner trophy

New Year is like a blank book. The pen is in our hands so we filled up this blank pages with full of Joy and Happiness. In the beginning of New Year, we celebrated the Pongal celebration in our hostel on 07-01-2015. Our Students praised and thanked God through Pongal preparation. Folk Culturals were done by our Students in the morning after the mass. In the Evening, A great Pattimantram (debate) was organised by our College Professors along with Hostel Students. The title was "Iniya Vaazhkkaiku Giramama....?"

The New Year INBOCO Series resumed with group Folk dance and Quiz Competitions on 29th January 2015.

In the month of February, we came to the close of the end of INBOCO celebrations.

All the remaining literary events like Tamil and English short story, English essay writing and colour drawing were held at periodical intervals. The INBOCO's final stage event, "Paattu Enna Paattu" was held on 19th february 2015. The entire league matches of Volleyball, Basketball and Football were over. In the Football, Loyola and Xavier were qualified to the final. In the final match, Loyola Block beat Xavier Block by 1-0 and became the Football champion.

In the Volleyball, Loyola and Gandhi were qualified to play final. In the final match Gandhi block beat Loyola block by 25-12, 25-22 and became the Volleyball Champion. The Gandhi block and the Loyola block were qualified to play the remaining final in Basketball.

"A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking" said Martin H. Fischer. But here we concluded all the INBOCO celebrations and hostel activities because of the academic year end. However the thinking and working for the beautification of the hostel and the empowerment of our students to make Xavier Hostel, a place of home away from home continues.

The much awaited Xavier Hostel day, this year was fixed on 7th March 2015. Mr. Sundaresan, a Senior Scientist form bangalore the batch of 1992- 2007 was our chief gues.

The special item of the Hostel day this year was the release of the Souvenir. Many creative work of the students along with the activities of the Hostel will speak volume about the Hostel life in 2014-15.

The highlights of new inventions or new events of this year as follows

- 1. INBOCO-Cultural and Sports Competition among the blocks
- 2. A detailed information about the all cultural and sports competition and the participants list INBOCO book was released.
- 3. New website (<u>www.xaho.in</u>) was launched first time in the history of the hostel. Day today transactions are executed through website.
- 4. Online Services introduced in the office.
- 5. A new mess coupon introduced abolishing the earlier method of issuing paper token for every meal.
- 6. Boufet system introduced in the mess to help the co-workers from carrying the heavy vessels with food.
- 7. Thanks to the initiative of Fr.Director and Br.Peter, we have a Green and Clean campus this year
- 8. Evening study at 06.30 p.m. has been introduced to avoid students going out of the campus
- 9. New ID card has been issued to mark the entry and exit of the student.

- 10. Crib competition between blocks was introduced first time in the history of the hostel.
- 11. Pongal was celebrated with Pattimanram for the first time.
- 12. A souvenir has been introduced to bring out the literary talents of our students.
- 13. "Nilavembu Kasayam" was supplied to prevent our students from getting dengu fever.
- 14. Many club activities such as Enviro, Drama(Tamil & English), Blood donation, etc were inaugurated.
- 15. A fresh vegetable garden has been created that supplies vegetables for the healthy living of our students. The following diagram explain the total number of events and total number of students participation.

Total No. of Cultural & Sports Events Conducted through INBOCO 2014-15:

Total No. of Participants in INBOCO 2014-15: INBOCO Point Table 2014-15:

ACADEMIC YEAR 2013-2014

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Rev. Fr. Maria Augustine SJ. took charge as the Director of Xavier Hostel in June 2013. To make the stay of the hostellers a meaningful one, he along with the Asst. Directors met them yearwise and motivated them to work hard. An election was conducted on 28th June 2013 to choose the Hostel Leaders. A.Paul Praveen was elected General Monitor. T.Michael Mathan, A.Santhana Balaji, V.Shakraties, J.Rajith Singh were elected different block representatives.

In order to help the students develop communication skills, Mr.R. Vijayan and Br.Baakar organized Spoken English classes for the freshers in the month of June.

Fresher's day was held on 4th July 2013 at 7.00 p.m. On the same day Holy spirit mass was held.

In the month of July, we had friendly basket ball match for the inmates to build up their team spirit. On 11th July, a one day knowledge X-Change programme was organized to motivate the students for TNPSC Examinations. Mr.Christu Raja, Assistant Block Development Officer, Tirunelveli, animated the programme.

On 17th and 18th July, there was an orientation for all the first year students; Dr.A.John de Britto, Associate Professor of Botany, enlightened the students of Science with his presentation

and Dr.S.V.L Michael, Head of the Department of Economics enriched the Arts students with his speech. The Director along with the Asst. Directors formed different committees such as Liturgy, Notice Board, Cultural and Sports in order to nurture creativity among students.

A debate was conducted on 5th September 2013. Dr.C.Eugine Franco was the judge, Dr.R.Francis Xavier, Dr.S.V.L.Michael, Dr.Mahimai Arul Ignatius, Dr.R.Antony Raj, Suresh Bosco and A.Sahaya Ruban spoke on the occasion. Mr.J.Amalanathan, Associate Professor of Economics, gave an orientation for all the third year UG Students, focusing on the importance of perseverance in life on 12th September 2013. P.Chellappandy and B.Ramraj successfully passed TET with good marks. Out inmates proved their singing ability by getting 2nd prize in Inter-Hostel Christmas Carol Singing Competition organized by the St. Xavier's Institutions on 17th December 2013.