# **ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES (2017-2018)**

#### French Ambassador's visit

It was indeed a proud moment for the students of B.A.French, Loyola College when the French Ambassador to India Mr. Alexandre Ziegler visited our campus. He had a very lively interaction with the students of B.A.French, LIBA and LICET. He insisted on the importance of learning French as many French companies invest in India. He wanted to increase the number of Indian students going to France for higher studies. The Ambassador was welcomed by Rev. Fr. Rector, Rev. Fr. Principal and the staff members of LICET, LIBA and the professors of the Department of Foreign Languages.



Rev.Fr. Jayapathy Francis, Rector, Loyola College with His Excellency, Alexandre Zeigler, French Ambassador To India.



His Excellency, Alexandre Zeigler, French Ambassador to India addressing the students

# Workshop on French Gastronomy: On se regale

On se régale (Let us relish, in English) is a series of events that was held across India to celebrate the French gastronomy day which falls in the month of September 2017. The project was funded by FIPF (Federation Internationale des professeurs de Francais). Several events on French gastronomy were held in schools, colleges and universities in India in order to introduce students to the world of French cuisine. It was spearheaded by the Indian Association of Teachers of French. The Department of Loyola College partnered with IATF and organized a French gastronomy workshop. The students of Loyola College also actively participated in a national level Quiz competition and won several prizes.

#### FRENCH GASTRONOMY WORKSHOP

A demonstration of French cuisine was made by a group of eminent chefs. The workshop was held on 29 July, 2017 at the Preview theatre of Viscom block. The workshop was attended by teachers and students of various schools and colleges in Tamil Nadu. The team of chefs included Chef Joseph Paul, Chef Keshav and chef Vishwanth. The team prepared a five course French meal and presented it to the delegates. A brief presentation of French culinary traditions and customs was also made by the chefs.



(from left to right: Chef. Joseph Paul, Chef. Keshav, Chef. Vishwanth)

The five course meal consisted of a hors d'oeuvre, a starter, a soup, a main course and a dessert. The participants enjoyed a picnic where everyone exchanged food as well as culinary ideas. There was also a talk on the health benefits of dark chocolate.



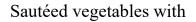
**Amuse bouche** – À hors d'oeuvre made with marinated watermelon and olives.





**Starter** – Sautéed Camembert with a slice of baguette

# **Soup** – French onion soup







Hummus

Crêpe Suzette

The workshop was attended by more than 50 delegates and everyone were appreciative of the demonstration. Post this session, the chefs also interacted with the participants by answering culinary questions and providing cooking tips.



**QUIZ COMPETITION** 

As a part of "On se regale", various competitions were held nationwide. Students were categorized based on their level of French into 3 different categories. The students of Loyola College participated in the Quiz competition in two categories. The Quiz took place in an innovative way – using Kahoot, a platform designed for Online quizzes. Students used their smartphone to participate in this Quiz which judged them based on their accuracy as well as their speed. The Quiz took place on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017 in 2 sessions. With more than a hundred participants, Loyola College emerged as the institution with the maximum participants. Two students of BA French, Jade Varouna Athena and Tess Paul Thaliath, won the first place in the national level Quiz and bagged a cash prize of Rs.2000/- each.

#### **EXCHANGE STUDENTS**

Every year 6 best students of B.A.French are selected as part of the MOU signed between Loyola College and Institut Albert le Grand , Angers and Universite Catholique de Lille, France. They study one semester in France. The students selected for the academic year 2017-2018 are

## Students in Lille are

- 1. Papakumari (16UFR 048)
- 2. Sandhiya (16UFR 039)
- 3. Anagha Ganesh (16UFR 016)

## Students in Angers are:

- 1.Krithikaa (16UFR 024)
- 2.Krithiga (16UFR 037)
- 3. Pragya Singh Chauhan (16UFR 047)

The Department conducted a one day regional workshop in collaboration with IATF (Indian Association of Teachers of French) and Insitut Francais en Inde on "France 2017": une rétrospective de l'année écoulée en France à travers sa place sur la scène internationale et les éléments qui ont fait l'actualité sur le plan politique, social et culturel. Sarah Belrhali, Directrice of Alliance française de Madras on 24th February 2017.



Madame Sarah Belrahli, Directrice, Alliance Française of Madras



The French teachers who attended the regional workshop

# ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE STAFF

The professors of the Department participated and presented papers in several international, national and state level conferences, seminars and workshops.

# PAPERS PRESENTED AT INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS:

Dr. Abarna Roy presented a paper on "Les Defis d'enseigner le Français comme langue etrangere en Inde" at the International Seminar on Role of International Languages in Higher Education held on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science.

Dr.Abarna Roy translated and published a book "My roots are in heaven" from French to English written by Rev. Fr.Pierre Ceyrac S.J., on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017.

Dr. Durga Devi presented a paper on "Le role et le potentiel de la langue française a l'enseignement superieur" at the International Seminar on Role of International Languages in Higher Education held on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science.

Dr. Durga Devi presented a paper on "Francin Munettrathil manithavalam" at the International Seminar held on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of March 2017 organized by the Department of Tamil, University of Madras.

Prof. Stefi presented a paper on "Le français et son influence sur le marché du travail pour les étudiants diplômés en Inde et à l'étranger » at the International Seminar on Role of International Languages in Higher Education held on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science

#### STAFF PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

Prof. Pauline and Prof. Mohanalakshmi attended at the International workshop "l'art d'etre humain" organized by the Department of French , Women's Christian college on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

## PAPERS PRESENTED AT NATIONAL CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS

Dr. Abarna Roy presented a paper on "Les défis de l'enseignement et de l'apprentissage de l'oral en classe de FLE" at the National Seminar organized by the Department of French and Francophone Studies, EFL university, Hyderabad from 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dr. Abarna Roy presented a paper titled "Positive Aspects of Religion" at the National Conference on "Religion and civil society" organized by the Department of Sociology from 28<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at Loyola College, Chennai

Dr. Abarna Roy presented a paper on "La condition des veuves en Inde" at the National Seminar on Shifting grounds: Gender, Community, Culture and Development" organized by the Faculty of Humanities of the Avinashilingam Institute of Home Science, Coimbatore on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Prof. Mohanalakshmi presented a paper on "Une étude breve du nomadisme et du racism dans "Les hommes qui marchent" de Malika Mokkadem at the National Seminar on Shifting grounds: Gender, Community, Culture and Development" organized by the Faculty of Humanities of the Avinashilingam Institute of Home Science, Coimbatore on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Prof. Stefi presented a paper on "l'égalité des sexes" at the National Seminar on Shifting grounds: Gender, Community, Culture and Development" organized by the Faculty of Humanities of the Avinashilingam Institute of Home Science, Coimbatore on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

#### **COLLEGE LEVEL**

Prof. Issac Francis, Dr.Jayanthi, Prof. Naveen Chandran, Prof. Akshah, Prof. Mohanalakshmi, Prof. Stefi, Prof. Pauline, Prof. Mithiya John participated at the Faculty Development Programs conducted by Loyola College.

# **RESOURCE PERSONS**

Dr. Abarna Roy conducted a workshop for school and college teachers of Tamil Nadu on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2017 on "L'ecriture creative en classe de FLE" at Anna Adarsh college for Women

Dr. Jayanthi conducted a workshop on "Digital Journalism" on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at M.O.P.Vaishnav College, Chennai

#### STAFF PARTICIPATION IN WORKSHOPS

Dr.Abarna Roy, Dr.Durga Devi, Prof. Maria Priya, Prof. Mithiya John, Prof. Mohanalakshmi participated at the workshop on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at Loyola College organized by the Department of Foreign languages, IATF and Institut Français en Inde.

Dr.Abarna Roy, Dr.Durga Devi, Prof. Maria Priya, Prof. Mithiya John, Dr.Jayanthi, Prof. Stefi participated at the workshop on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 conducted by Women's Christian College organized by IATF and Institut Français en Inde.

Maria Priya, Prof. Mithiya John, Prof. Stefi, Prof. Pauline, Prof. Naveen Chandran participated at the workshop on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2017 conducted by Anna Adarsh College organized by IATF and Institut Français en Inde.

Prof. Stefi and Prof. Mohanalakshmi participated at the workshop on 2017conducted by JBAS College organized by IATF and Institut Francais en Inde.

Dr.Durga Devi, Prof. Maria Priya, Dr. C.Jayanthi, Prof. Mohanalakshmi, Prof. Stefi, Prof. Issac Francis, Prof. Naveen Chandran, Prof. Mithiya John, Prof.Akshah Nathan participated at the workshop on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018 conducted by JBAS college on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2017 organized by IATF and Institut Francais en Inde.

Dr. Abarna Roy, Dr. Durga Devi, Prof. Maria Priya, Prof. Mithiya John, Prof. Stefi, Prof.Mohanalakshmi, Prof. Pauline, participated at the French Gastronomy workshop held on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at Loyola College, Chennai

# STAFF CONTRIBUTION AS SUBJECT EXPERTS/CHAIR PERSON:

- 1. Dr. Abarna Roy was the subject expert at the Board of Studies organized by the Department of Humanities of the Tamil Nadu Open University on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2017.
- 2. Prof. Maria Priya was the subject expert at the Board of Studies organized by the Department of French and other Foreign Languages on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 at the University of Madras.
- 3. Dr. Abarna Roy was the subject expert at the Academic Audit conducted by Meenakshi College for Women on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2017
- 4. Dr.Abarna Roy was the member of the Board of Studies conducted by St.Mary's college, Thoothukudi on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018.
- 5. Prof. Stefi was the chairperson of one of the paper presentation session at the International Seminar on the Role of International Languages in Higher Education at Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018.