

School of Service Learning, Loyola College, Chennai - 34.

St. Joseph's College, Cuddalore conducted a training program on *Extension - A Need of the Hour in Higher Education* at St. Anne's College, Tindivanam on 25th March 2021 under UGC PARAMARSH SCHEME. Prof. Arokia Sagaya Melson, Assistant Professor, School of Service Learning, Loyola College, Chennai was invited as the resource person. It was attended by 35 faculty members and this was the first time they attended such a training program. The resource person explained what service learning is all about and the relevance, importance and significance of it in today's context. Explaining the model that is in practice in Loyola College, Prof. Melson highlighted the need for creating a passion in students to serve the society. The inputs including the videos created a tremendous awareness about the need for service learning and helped the participants understand how this aspect of learning can augment and strengthen the existing academic curriculum. St. Anne's College is now preparing for its first NAAC assessment. The participants expressed that the training program was very fruitful and successful.

