

## **MADRAS SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK**

### **PG Department of Social work (Aided)**

#### **Annual Report 2017-18**

#### **ABOUT DEPARTMENT**

The PG Department of Social Work (Aided) offers MSW course with three specializations; namely, Community Development, Medical and Psychiatric and Human Resource Management. The objectives of the MSW course are focused on preparing the candidates for a career as a professionally trained social worker and is aimed at developing in them attitudes and values necessary for working with people and organizations for achieving the goals of the social work profession. During the academic year 2017-18, 53 students were admitted adhering to the guidelines set by Department of Collegiate Education.

#### **FACULTY MEMBERS**

Our *Faculty Members* are our source of strength and continue to bring accolades to the department through consistent performances and achievements - academic, research, consultancy and trainings. Faculties have participated in several conferences/seminars as paper presenters, invited speakers, etc., and as examiners for MPhil and PhD programme for institutions within the State. During the year, faculty publications in international and national journals were 15 and 30 respectively.

#### **FIELD WORK**

Field work is an integral part of MSW curriculum. The *first year students* were taken to observation visits to various social work institutions to understand the fields and the scope of social work practice. Rural camp and project field work are other field work components facilitated to students to have first-hand exposure to rural life, understand social and developmental problems, and to undertake pilot developmental projects as groups. The students also underwent specialized training on street theatre and puppetry during the year. *The second year students* have undergone Concurrent Field Work (III Semester) and Block Field Work (IV Semester) on their specialized areas.

## **CERTIFICATE COURSES**

The following certificate courses were conducted during the academic year viz.,

- Development Communication for Social Workers and Human Rights were held for I MSW students. Experts from International Justice Mission (IJM) and Ms. Raj B J Cleford from Blue Marble limited handled the course for 54 students.
- ‘Advanced Counseling Skills and Psycho Social Management for Social Workers’ was conducted to the II MSW students and Mr. Manikandan, Psychiatric Social Worker, Ms. Simona, Art Therapist, Dr. Ganesh Kumar, PhD., Consultant Psychologist from Raju Hospitals Ms. Aparna and Mr. Murali from TTK Hospitals were the facilitator for the certificate course.

## **STUDENT FORUMS**

Student Forums of our department has been very active year on year. The forum inaugural function of MSW Aided department took place on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 at the Conference Hall, Madras School of Social Work. The Chief Guests for the programme were Mrs.Vasumathi Benny, Executive Director – Projects, Tamil Nadu Foundation and Mr. Tibine Mathew Varghese, Manager HR, TCS BPS. During the year, the social work forum (SWF) organized, **National Institute of Social Defense (NISD) Sponsored National Conference on “Emerging Challenges of Elderly: Implementation of Programmes and Policy Making”**, 26 & 27 February 2018, Organised by ASTRA-Social Work Forum, Department of Social Work (Aided) & the Human Relations Study Circle (HRSC) forum also organized a **UGC Sponsored Seminar – THRIVE’ 18: Embracing Disruptions**, at Hotel Accord Metropolitan recently on February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018. Both the seminars were enthusiastically participated by students, development professionals, teachers and managers from the corporate world.

## **STUDENTS ENGAGEMENTS**

**Student’s Engagements** in professional forum activities, competitions, paper presentations in seminar/conferences and publications so as to enable them become competent professionals are widely encouraged. About 50% of our students actively participated and some of them have received awards and recognitions as well.

**Details of student’s Publication, Research Paper Presentation and Participation in Competitions:**

- a.i.1. Anjana M and Agalya S presented and published two paper at International Conference on School Mental Health dated October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 2017
- a.i.2. Amrita Madonna D’cruze and Venessa Pearl R presented a paper at International Conference on School Mental Health dated October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 2017
- a.i.3. Sama Vaishali L and Tineshvaar G presented a paper at International Conference on School Mental Health dated October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 2017
- a.i.4. Anjana M and Agalya S and won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Street Play, Folk Dance and News Room Presentation at Explora’17 conducted by Department of Social Work – Loyola College on 15.12.2017
- a.i.5. G.Thineshvaar won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Street Play at Explora’17 conducted by Department of Social Work – Loyola College on 15.12.2017
- a.i.6. Pravin Kumar won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Street Play and folk dance at Explora’17 conducted by Department of Social Work – Loyola College on 15.12.2017
- a.i.7. Tharini and Venessa Pearl R won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Face Painting at Explora’17 conducted by Department of Social Work – Loyola College on 15.12.2017
- a.i.8. Venessa Pearl R won 3<sup>rd</sup> place and got cash award of 1000/- Quiz conducted by Women Cell of Madras School of Social Work in the month of October.
- a.i.9. **Ms. Poorani C,Praveen, Jose Jenifer Costa,** Won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in street play, Mr. Mohammed Samudeen, Raj kumar and Ms. Durga Devi Won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in mime, Mr. Dinakar Won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in street play, Ms. Anandhi Won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in creative writing, Anisha Won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in mime, at Loyola College (event organized by social work department on gender equity).
- a.i.10. **Gurugomathi Akshaya and Keerthana D.**Paper presentation on “Manual Scavenging in India- The legislation vs social realities- An introspection,” in a National Conference On Social Work Responses to Contemporary Social Issue, at Loyola College.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF DEPARTMENT**

Guest lecturers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disability social work</li> <li>• Social Legislation</li> <li>• Orientation on</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Vijayalakshmi, Principal , Balvihar</li> <li>• Mrs. Lalitha , Advocate, Highcourt</li> </ul>
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	NGOs and acts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Role of government in health promotion</li> <li>• Budget Analysis</li> <li>• Industry Trends in Learning and Development</li> <li>• E-Learning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mrs. Sunitha Amal , Paadha NGO</li> <li>• Mr. Javits , Project co-ordinator, social welfare department</li> <li>• Fr.John Kumar,Social Watch</li> <li>• Mr.Lenin, Head – Talent Development, Reliance</li> <li>• Mr.Dhilip Kumar.R., Senior Manager – Talent Management, TCS</li> </ul>
Research and consultancy	Dr. J. S. Gunavathy Dr. J. Lakshmi & Dr. P. Sivapragasam	Impact Assessment of Ashok Leylands's CSR activities in Hosur. Conducted an Evaluation study on TNF - ABC projects - Vellore District.
Workshops	Dr. P. Sivapragasam	Workshop on "Decoding Case studies on 9th September 2017.
Conference proceedings publication	Dr. K. Sathyamurthi	Edited a book as an outcome of the Conference titled “Elderly in India-Problems and Prospects, Today Publication, Chennai ISBN No. : 978-81-936440-9-6

### Research Projects

**K.Sathyamurthi**, Madras School of Social Work and P. Ganeshkumar P. Manickam J. Yuvaraj P. Kamaraj, National Institute of Epidemiology joint Research Proposal submitted in the year 2015-16 was approved by the ICMR under ICMR-ICSSR Joint Research Programme titled “**Socio-behavioral issues and structural factors regarding health of under-5 children in urban slum population of Chennai, Tamil Nadu**” is in progress

### Invited lectures / Resource person

1. Dr. J. S. Gunavathy, Handled a session on ‘Quantitative Research Methods’ in the workshop on Research Methods and Writing organised by School of Media Studies, St.Thomas College of Arts and Science, Chennai on 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2017.
2. Dr. J. S. Gunavathy Served as the chairperson for the paper presentation session on “Professional Social Work in India: An Evaluative Perspective” in the UGC sponsored National Conference on ‘Professional Social Work in the Globalized Era: Issues and Challenges in an Indian Perspective’ in September 2017 at Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirappalli
3. Dr. J. lakshmi, served as Resource Person in the Two day National Workshop on management challenges among old age homes and day care centres held on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

.Dr. J. Lakshmi invited as a Guest for women day celebration at Adient India Private Limited (Formerly Johnson Controls Automotive Limited), Chengalpattu.

### **ENGAGEMENT WITH THE SOCIETY**

Dept of Social Work (Aided) run the extension activity in collaboration with Guild of Service at Managalapuram, Chetpet for adolescent girls from 2015-16. There are 60 girls who have benefited in the centre with the aim of imparting and facilitating the learning of adolescent girls in education and health by the MSW (MPSW) students through one to one and group interaction and counseling. To address the problems of adolescents, monthly parents meeting and therapeutic interventions such as group therapy, art therapy and dance and movement therapy were conducted.

### **REACHING OUT**

Nearly 100 Nos of awareness programme Conducted for the community development by the department of social work (aided) students Health eating and active living

- Awareness on helmet usage
- Youth unrest and conscious turbulence
- Social media addiction
- Privatization of alcoholism
- Sexual objectification
- Solid waste management
- Income generation programme for fisher man community
- Medical camp for elderly population
- Adolescent health
- Child nutrition
- Awareness on Women legislation

### **PLACEMENT DETAILS**

**T. Premlatha, Vigneshwaran. B, Khrusalu Rhako, Vinoth Kumar and Sama Vaishali** got placement in an **INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION SOS** for 3.64 lakhs per annum.

**Arvind Neshanth, Sundaram Clayton** for 5.8 Lakhs, Siddarth Muralidharan, Ramco Cements for 5.2 Lakhs and Sneha Chandran, TCS for 5.75 Lakhs per annum.

### **DETAILS OF AWARD FOR THE STUDENTS ACHIEVEMENTS**

The following students have received award for their achievements in college day 2017-18:

- ♣ Ms. SHEFALI MOHANTY -“M.PHIL ROLLING CUP FOR THE BEST THESIS”
- ♣ Ms. SOUMIYA .K - "NIPM MEDAL FOR HIGHEST MARKS” & N.C.JAYACHANDRAN AWARD FOR HIGHEST ATTENDANCE”
- ♣ Ms. KARTHIKA - “MCJ MEDAL FOR HIGHEST MARKS” & “MEERA ALEXANDAR GOLD MEDAL” for the best student in CD & MPSW”
- ♣ Ms. MONICA JAMES - "MARIA PHILIP AWARD FOR THE BEST ALL ROUND PERFORMANCE”
- ♣ Ms. MONICA JAMES - “D.C.KOTHARI ROLLING CUP”
- ♣ Mr. KARTHIKEYAN - “CAIRN ENERGY ROLLING CUP” for the best Research Dissertation”