

## DEPARTMENT OF BSW, MSSW GLIMPSES OF VIDIYAL FORUM-2006-2020

VIDIYAL FORUM is a student's initiative to develop the personality of the individual and help the society. Our motto is '**LEARN TO SERVE, SERVE TO LEARN**'.

The Vidiyal Forum provides a platform for the students to exhibit their leadership skills, unveil their true potential and inculcate a strong passion to serve the Society. Throughout the year, several workshops and seminars are organised for the students to advance more in various fields of social work. The Vidiyal Forum enables students to apply classroom learning in the real field. Also helps learn from experts of social work. The students get empowered to serve the community through this forum.

### **2006-2007**

A mobile van was arranged to give awareness on social issues at various hotspots of Chennai.

### **2007-2008**

Women's day on 10<sup>th</sup> march 2008 was organized. Dr. Mangai, professor and theatre expert was the chief guest. Students performed street plays.

### **2008-2009**

- An awareness program on 'Transgender' was organized on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2008.
- An orientation program on awareness on the pedestrian issues was organized by MIDS on 9<sup>th</sup> sept 2008.
- A session on 'Human trafficking and transgender' by Madras Christian Council of Social Service was organized on 30<sup>th</sup> jan 2009.
- Organized an awareness program on TB and leprosy and also quiz competition for students. The resource person was Mr. Paul calab from Gremaltes.

### **2009-2010**

- Forum group conducted a seminar on 'Sensitization on care of elders and elder's day out'. Mrs. Savithrividhi (founder of VISHANTHI) and Mrs. Indrani was the guests of honor.
- The forum had organized a beach cleaning program where students took part in it on January 2010.

### **2010-2011**

- Students were encouraged to work on short films on 'social issues' and were screened on October 2010.

- A blood donation camp in collaboration with 'Puthiya thalaimurai arakatalai' and 'Red cross' in MSSW was organized in 2011.

### **2012-2013**

- A seminar on environmental protection with a theme 'Example- each one, plant one' on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2012. Mayor Saidai Durai Swamy was the chief guest.
- A flash mob on 'Bonded laborers' was conducted at express avenue, Chennai.
- A fund raising program "Food Mela & Dance was organised for the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of MSSW.

### **2013-2014**

- Organized a one day workshop on Youth for Peace. Dr.Koteeswara Prasad, Registrar in-charge, University of Madras was the chief guest.
- An orientation on civil service exam preparation was organized, on 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Resource persons were from Master Mind IAS Academy.
- World suicide prevention day was observed on 10<sup>th</sup> September at MSSW premises.
- Organized a program on 'Mental Health with the Opportunity School for mentally challenged children, Vepery, Chennai
- E-waste management program was held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2013  
Mr. Hariendhran, Director Operations Isha Foundation was the resource person
- A one day workshop was organized on 'Women Empowerment- A Multidimensional Approach'.

### **2014-2015**

- A seminar on 'Youth leadership' was conducted. Mr. Anna durai, Director of Doordharshan Kendra was the chief guest.

### **2015-2016**

- International day of older persons was celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015 on the theme 'Youth Participation-a Way Forward'.
- Mrs. B.Valarmathy, Honorable Minister for Social Welfare and Nutritious Noon Meal program was the chief guest

### **2016-2017**

- Seminar on International Population Day was organized with a theme 'Investing on Teenage Girls'. The chief guest for the day was Mr.C.Samuel Chelliah, Regional Director of

NSS. The students from Mary clubwala Jhadhav Hr.Sec.School and Presidency Hr.Sec.School. were the participants.

2017-2018

Guest lecture on TamilNadu Government Social Welfare Schemes &Development, Opportunities &Resources was organized on 8.7.2018

Mrs.Saroja Thiuvengadam Deputy Director(Retd)Directorate of Social Welfare, and Mrs. Smithra Prasad, Founder-DORAI Foundation were the guest of honors.

2018-2019

- Guest lecture on “Leaders of Tomorrow” was organized.Mr. Raj Prabhakar, CEO – FYML Pvt. Ltd was the chief guest .
- Guest lecture on Self – determination was given by Dr. Elayaraja, Associate Professor, School of Excellence of Law.

2019-2020

- The inauguration ceremony of the Vidiyal Forum for this academic year 2019-2020 was held on 4th of August 2019. The theme for this year is “Innovation” .The programme was graced by the presence of the Chief Guest, Mr. Khaalid Ahamed Nijamudeen,Founder -Uravugal Trust, Principal, Dr. S. Raja Samuel, Ms. P. K. Vathani Head of the Department, Dr.Thiumagal,Mr.Rufus Singh,Mrs.Sudarmathy and Mr.Xavier Vivek Jerryof the BSW department.