



St Stephen's College

DISMISSAL SERVICE 2018

Principal's Report

Your Grace Bishop Warris Masih, Chairman of the Governing Body of St. Stephen's College, Shri Ranjit Kumar Pachnanda, IPS, alumnus of the College and Chief Guest of the day, members of the College Governing Body, Senior and Junior Members, alumni of the College, parents and family members of the outgoing Junior Members, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen I welcome each one of you to this important event in the life of our outgoing students.

Today we bid farewell to the batch of 2015-18. Yesterday was officially the last day of teaching for the academic term and with that three years of academic life in College came to an end; college life for this batch of young men and women has come to an end and their lives are forever imprinted with the stamp of Stephania. The wider world beyond the precincts of the College beckons them and all of us are confident that they will go forth and live their lives holding on to the two important tenets of college – excellence and service.

I am pleased to place before you a very brief report for the year 2017-18. At the very outset I must tell all of you that it is just not possible to recount every event and activity that happened in college, the written record, to be created from this, will be comprehensive and contain all the details but my oral report will only, for want of time, touch upon the most outstanding achievements of the year: the activities of the Societies, the prize-winners and the achievements of the faculty and staff.

This year was one of hectic activity. All of us are aware of the fact that College was ranked at #2 in the NIRF ranking. We did not get it by chance – hard work by my colleagues, pains taking sacrifices by our Junior Members and a duty-bound set of non-teaching staff are responsible for that ranking. Several landmark events mark the year gone by. During this last year we launched the official Alumni Association of St Stephen's College and topped it with a quiet launch of the Alumni Portal linked to the College website. A highlight of the year gone by was the appointment of sixteen non-teaching staff – something that was hanging fire for quite some years now. Yet another achievement was the renovation of the office block in College – a testimony to the fact that College does indeed care for the comfort and working environment, not only of its students but also of its staff.

College is distinguished by the quality of its academic work and like in the previous years, we conducted the Academic Conclave. The IQAC was exemplary

in its work and leadership and was responsible for several projects, activities and workshops catering to both academics and welfare. There is no greater joy than to see our Junior Members take wing and grow and I think the proudest moment for all of us at College was when two of our Junior Member Mr Srijit Seal and Ms Mudra Raheja conceptualised and brought to life the National Conference on Scientific Innovation – a two-day event that not only brought to life the scientific temper but most importantly, brought together scientists and stalwarts from within and outside College to discuss, deliberate and share thoughts and ideas on innovation.

You will also be happy to note that College has put in its application for autonomy to encourage academic freedom, a better and wider choice of subjects for our Junior Members, better opportunities for students and staff exchanges and greater academic and administrative freedom. In keeping with its commitment to social justice, College has also initiated steps towards regularising non-teaching staff and has also decided to prioritise housing for its non-teaching staff in the implementation of its master plan. You will be pleased to know, sir, that our alumni, not just in India but from across the globe, have been instrumental in encouraging College to go forward and continue to be the path-breaking institution that St Stephen's College always was. To this end there are several institutions both within India and abroad who have expressed an interest in partnering with College as and when autonomy is granted.

On the academic front our Junior Members continued to do well. Here is a summary of the UG and PG results:

Undergraduate Results 2017-18

S. No.	Program Name	No. of Students Appeared	1 st Div.	2 nd Div.	3 rd Div.	ER*	No. of Students Passed	Pass %age
1	B.A. Programme	64	51	9	0	4	60	93.75
2	B.A. Honours Economics	50	35	9	0	6	44	88
3	B.A. Honours English	32	28	3	0	1	31	96.88
4	B.A. Honours History	60	48	9	0	3	57	95
5	B.A Honours Philosophy	11	9	1	0	1	10	90.91
6	B.A. Honours Sanskrit	10	8	1	0	1	9	90
7	B.Sc. Honours Chemistry	41	39	1	0	1	40	97.56
8	B.Sc. Honours Mathematics	50	34	4	0	12	38	76
9	B.Sc. Honours Physics	54	36	8	2	8	46	85.19
10	B.Sc. Prog. (Chemistry)	34	31	1	1	1	33	97.06
11	B.Sc. Prog. (Computer Science)							

Postgraduate Results 2017-18

S. No.	Program Name	No. of Students Appeared	1 st Div.	2 nd Div.	3 rd Div.	ER*	No. of Students Passed	Pass %age
1	M.A. English	9	6	2	0	1	8	88.89
2	M.A. History	8	4	4	0	0	8	100.00
3	M.A. Philosophy	4	3	0	0	1	3	75.00
4	M.A. Sanskrit	5	5	0	0	0	5	100.00
5	M.Sc. Chemistry	5	4	0	0	1	4	80.00
6	M.Sc. Mathematics	6	5	0	0	1	5	83.33
7	M.Sc. Operational Research	2	1	1	0	0	2	100.00
8	M.Sc. Physics	3	3	0	0	0	3	100.00

ER* - Essential Repeat

Let me now go over the reports of our Clubs and Societies. I have with me the detailed reports of forty-five societies and to go over each of them would require a time that neither you nor I have at the moment; you will therefore pardon me if I highlight just the major achievements of some of these Societies. Every society has done well but some have done just a wee bit better than the others.

Among the many events of the **B A Programme Society** the exceptional one was Confluence '18 - the Society's two-day annual fest which had a workshop by Dr. Manju Mehta, from the Psychiatry Department of AIIMS, a Delhi themed Pictionary and Mobile photography session, the Kebab Eating Competition and a visit to Qutub Minar and Mehrauli Archaeological Park.

The **Bengali Literary Society** boasted of talks, a debate, a celebration of Durga Puja and the annual Bengali lunch among other events this year.

When it comes to the **Campus Placement Cell** I am not going to talk about the several students who were placed as part of the **Campus Placement Cell's** work this year, nor am I going to talk about the many students who got a good pay package - instead I am going to highlight a student initiative where one student, **Jasjeev Singh** - single-handedly put together an online facility for student placement.

The **Chemistry Society** continued its good work not only in the discipline but beyond with its annual trip to Jaisalmer, the online photography contest and the Charusita Memorial Lecture.

The **Civil Services forum** continued its fantastic set of exposes by bringing in experts like Ms Ira Singal, Yamini Aiyar and Vice Admiral Pradeep Chauhan among others to help our Junior Members prepare themselves.

College seems to have gone overboard with dancing as was evidenced by the activities of the **Choreography Society**. This year the Indian and Western Choreography societies merged to form one society and they performed exceptionally well both within and outside college.

Both the **Cine Club** and the **Debating Society** were active and continued the good work this year also.

The **Economics Society** had several activities including speakers, debates, workshops and paper presentations. **The Finance & Investment Cell** had Dreamerger and did some practical, social service through its financial literacy campaign.

The **English Literary Society's** highpoint was the launch of its journal *Postscript* while the **Environmental Society** promoted a Green Diwali even as they celebrated Earth Day.

The **Enabling Unit** continued to do yeomen service making a positive impact on the life and work of the differently abled both within and outside College.

The **Fine Arts Society** had several workshops and exhibitions during the year while the **Gandhi Ambedkar Society** resuscitated itself with a modest set of activities including the launch of a Journal.

The **Hiking Club** was perhaps the most active with talks, discussions, treks and regular training sessions on The Wall.

The **History Society** had its annual festival – *Kaalchakra* where we had eminent speakers like Professors Shahid Amin, Nandini Sundar and Dr Devika Rangachari illumine the audience.

The **Informal Discussion Group** had over fifteen talks which helped illumine the life and knowledge of all who attended them. The topics ranged from academics to politics to governance.

The **Leadership Cell** had its inaugural talk by Mrs Sheila Dikshit, former CM of Delhi and during the course of the year had speakers like Shri Kapil Dev, Shri Varun Gandhi, and Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar. One interesting debate on the Challenges the Nation Faces was with Lt General Atta Hasnain, Maj Gaurav Arya, Mr Gaurav Rawat and Mr Shiv Aroor.

In order to make the mingling of societies really possible we had a non-malayalee as the staff advisor for the **Malayalam Literary Society**. Talks, film screenings and the celebration of Onam were among the highlights this year.

The **Mathematics Society** had several workshops and talks conducted during the year. The activities of the **Music Society** was perhaps the most attended and the music teams won accolades not just in college but outside as well.

The highlight of the **North-East Society's** activities was the musical evening Echoes of the Eight and the publication of *Orchid*, its annual journal.

The **Philosophical Society** kept up its set of activities and weekly readings and the **Punjabi Literary Society** livened up campus life with not only delicious

cuisine but also with some great music during the annual Punjabi lunch. The **Photographic Society** conducted several workshops while the **Sanskrit Society** culminated its activities with the Inter College Kalidasa Jayanti. The **Hindi Sahitya Sabha** organised a poetry festival and celebrated Hindi Diwas.

The **Physics Society** restricted itself largely to the subject this year with talks, workshops and discussions in the discipline.

The **Planning Forum** had an interesting lineup of speakers which included, among others, Ms Shoma Chaudhary – journalist, Smt Meira Kumar and Ms Saba Naqvi. The forum also conducted the Model United Nations during the year.

The **Social Service League**, the oldest society in College continued its sterling service towards the not so privileged with evening classes on campus, teaching at GTB Nagar and clothes and blood donation camps.

The **Shakespeare Society** continued to be active with several small productions and the final Romeo and Juliet, produced with the original script.

The **SUS** was elected and did its bit to make college a better place through its interventions in the academic and corporate life of College through Rassmatazz, Harmony – the annual College Festival and its contributions to the National Science Conference.

In case you thought that was the end let me tell you that I have saved the best for the last. Our department of Physical Education under the able leadership of Mr Sushant Chakravorty and Mr Sujay John have not spared any effort in pushing our Junior Members to do their best. They have been harsh on themselves and have expected nothing less than the best from the youngsters. I can personally testify to the fact that our Junior Members have gone valiantly to the sports fields when the odds were stacked against them. I am proud to say that we have five international sports persons in the fields of table tennis, shooting and squash. At the national level we have over twenty young men and women who have let their light shine. In the year under review, we have won over 80 medals and trophies. Ladies and gentlemen, I am proud to let you know that we are, with the kind support of our alumni, putting together a blueprint for the resurgence of sports at College so that every Junior Member who passes through college will benefit not only from intellectual stimulation but will also be able to house their intellectual capabilities in a body that is fit and able. After all, that is one of the traditions of college – an able mind in an able body.

That was a brief snapshot of the activities of the various Societies. We remain deeply obliged to the Staff Advisors who willingly gave their time to guide and lead our Junior Members. The Societies owe the fantastic set of activities and achievements to the tireless efforts of the student office bearers. On behalf of all gathered here, I have great pleasure in congratulating each and every Society, the office-bearers, the Staff Advisors and the non-teaching support staff who helped in producing such an eventful year. There were a total of 487 activities organized by our Societies and Clubs, Now that, ladies and gentlemen, is an achievement.

Our Department of Sports continued the good work as in previous years: Here is a list of our outstanding sportspersons:

OUTSTANDING SPORTS PERSONS 2017-18

1	ANKUR DHAMA	I	M.A HISTORY	PARA ATHLETE	INTERNATIONA L
2	BIRDIE BORO	III	PHILOSOPHY	TABLE TENNIS	INTERNATIONA L
3	KISMAT CHOPRA	II	BA PROG	SHOOTING	INTERNATIONA L
4	HARSHVARDHANLAHOTI	I	PHILOSOPHY	TABLE TENNIS	INTERNATIONA L
5	RAHUL VASHISHTHA	I	MATHEMATICS	SQUASH	INTERNATIONA L
6	ANKUR DHAMA	I	M.A HISTORY	PARA ATHLETE	NATIONAL
7	BIRDIE BORO	III	PHILOSOPHY	TABLE TENNIS	NATIONAL
8	KISMAT CHOPRA	II	BA PROG	SHOOTING	NATIONAL
9	HARSHVARDHANLAHOTI	I	PHILOSOPHY	TABLE TENNIS	NATIONAL
10	RAHUL VASHISHTHA	I	MATHEMATICS	SQUASH	NATIONAL
11	SIDHANT SEJWAL	III	BA PROG	SWIMMING	NATIONAL
12	SAMARJEET SINGH	II	HISTORY	SHOOTING	NATIONAL
13	SAUMYA SAKSENA	I	ENGLISH	SHOOTING	NATIONAL
14	RIYA SINGH	II	BA PROG	SHOOTING	NATIONAL
15	PRABLEEN DUA	I	BA PROG	SHOOTING	NATIONAL
16	ASEEM MEHRA	II	MATHEMATICS	SQUASH	NATIONAL
17	YATHENDRAPADADA	I	COMPUTE RSCIENCE	SQUASH	NATIONAL

18	TUSHAR BABBAR	I	COMPUTER SCIENCE	BADMINTON	NATIONAL
19	MAYANK YADAV	III	BA PROG	LAWN TENNIS	NATIONAL
20	SHUBHAM MALHOTRA	I	BA PROG	LAWN TENNIS	NATIONAL
21	SHWETA KATARIA	III	ENGLISH	TABLE TENNIS	NATIONAL
22	NISHANT KANTAWLA	III	PHILOSOPHY	CRICKET	NATIONAL
23	KARAN MAHAJAN	III	ECONOMICS	CRICKET	NATIONAL
24	UTKARSH SINGH	II	HISTORY	CRICKET	NATIONAL
25	YATHARTH SINGH	I	ENGLISH	CRICKET	NATIONAL
26	JAIDEEP PHOGAT	I	PHYSICS	SHOOTING	NATIONAL
27	ARUNDHATI	III	PHYSICS	BASKETBALL	NATIONAL

And I am happy to place before you now a list of the important academic achievements of our faculty:

Dr. M. S. Frank

- Co-convener of the National Conference on Chemical Sciences: Opportunities and Challenges (NCCS-2018), Chemistry Department, St. Stephen's College

Dr. Shabnam Johry

- Co-convener of the National Conference on Chemical Sciences: Opportunities and Challenges (NCCS-2018), Chemistry Department, St. Stephen's College.

Dr. Rene Saksena

- Co-convener of the National Conference on Chemical Sciences: Opportunities and Challenges (NCCS-2018), Chemistry Department, St. Stephen's College.

Dr. Vibha Sharma

- Resource person for Project Udaan of CBSE for underprivileged girls of Classes - XI and XII for Chemistry; Staff Advisor, Choreography Society of St. Stephen's College
- As Coordinator, IQAC, organized workshops and events for students and support staff.

Dr. Ekta Kundra Arora

- Resource person for Project Udaan of CBSE for underprivileged girls of Classes - XI and XII for Chemistry. Staff Advisor, Punjabi Literary Society of St. Stephen's College

Dr. Rakhi Thareja

- Book Published: Handbook of Eco-materials (Book Chapter on 'Recent Advances and Techniques in the Hazardous Gases Detection')
- Resource person for Project Udaan of CBSE for underprivileged girls of Class - XI and XII for Chemistry.
- Highest number of downloads for a book chapter Published (2/2/18) on "Recent Advances and Techniques in the Hazardous Gases Detection" in 'Handbook of Ecomaterials' (Publisher: Springer, Cham)
- Appointed as the observer for IIT-JEE examination for the year 2018.

Ms. Violet R. Macwan

- Submitted her Ph D in the field of School Education.

Dr. Jaspreet Kaur

- Major Research Project: Exploration of high performance polymers and nano-fillers to develop futuristic adhesives for joining metals for three years.

Dr. Jyotirmoy Maity

- International Research publication: Biocatalytic route to C-4'-spiro-oxetano-xylofuranosyl pyrimidine nucleosides. Pallavi Rungta, Priyanka Mangla, Vinod Khatri, Jyotirmoy Maity and Ashok K. Prasad; in Biocatalysis and Biotransformation, 2018. (Peer Review Journal) <https://doi.org/10.1080/10242422.2018.143816>.
- International Research publication: Synthesis of Novel 1-Glycosyl-4-aminomethyl-1,2,3-triazoles. Banty Kumar, Jyotirmoy Maity, Amit Kumar,

Vinod Khatri, Bhawani Shankar and Ashok K. Prasad in Chemistry of Heterocyclic Compounds, 2018 (Accepted)(Peer Review Journal).

- International Research publication: Enzymatic separation of epimeric 4-C-hydroxymethylated furanosugars: Synthesis of bicyclic nucleosides. Neha Rana, Manish Kumar, Vinod Khatri, Jyotirmoy Maity and Ashok K. Prasad in Beilstein Journal of Organic Chemistry, 2017, 13, 2078-2086 (Peer Review Journal).
- International Research Publication: Chemo-enzymatic route to C-4'-spiro-oxetano- α -L-ribonucleosides. Rajesh Kumar, Manish Kumar, Neetu Singh, Ankita Singh, Jyotirmoy Maity and Ashok K. Prasad in Carbohydrate Research, 2017, 445, 88 -92 (Peer Review Journal).
- International Research Publication: Synthesis of novel 3'-azido-3'-deoxy- α -L-ribo configured nucleosides: A comparative study between chemical and chemo-enzymatic methodologies. Neha Rana, Manish Kumar, Ankita Singh, Jyotirmoy Maity, Poonam Shukla and Ashok K. Prasad in Nucleoside, Nucleotide and Nucleic Acids, 2018 (Accepted)
- International Research Publication: Synthesis of Novel 1-Glycosyl-4-aminomethyl-1,2,3-triazoles. Banty Kumar, Jyotirmoy Maity, Amit Kumar, Vinod Khatri, Bhawani Shankar and Ashok K. Prasad in Chemistry of Heterocyclic Compounds, 2018 (Accepted)

Dr. Madhulika Gupta

- International Research Publication: "Understanding the Nature of Amino Acid Interactions with Pd (111) or Pd-Au Bimetallic Catalysts in the Aqueous Phase" M. Gupta, T. S. Khan, M. Agarwal and M. A. Haider, *Langmuir* 2018, 34, 1300 in *Langmuir* 2018, 34, 1300.
- International Research Publication: "Hydration Behavior along the Folding Pathways of Trpzip4, Trpzip5 and Trpzip6" M. Gupta, P. Khatua, C. Chakravarty, S. Bandyopadhyay, *J. Phys. Chem. B* 2018, 122, 1560 in *J. Phys. Chem. B* 2018, 122, 1560
- Awarded Ph. D. for the thesis titled 'Computer Simulations of Free Energy Landscapes of Peptides, Their Hydration Behaviour and Metal Surface Deactivation' by IIT Delhi in February 2018.

Ms. Ashema Hasti

- International Research Publication: Comparing Mesh topology based Multicast Routing Protocols in MANETs in Next- Generation Networks (proceedings of CSI-2015), *Advances in Intelligent Systems and Computing (AISC)*, Vol. 638, Springer, Singapore (published in 2018). (Conference Proceedings)

- International Research Publication : Data Security in Cloud-Based Analytics in Big Data Analytics (Proceedings of CSI 2015) Editors: Aggarwal, V. B., Bhatnagar, Vasudha, Mishra, Durgesh Kumar (Eds.), Advances in Intelligent Systems and Computing (AISC), Vol. 638, Springer, Singapore (published in 2018) (Conference Proceedings)

Dr. Sanil Unnikrishnan

- Visiting Associate of Inter University Center for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA, Pune)

Dr. Soofiya Siddiqui

- Recipient of Postdoctoral Fellowship from the Freie University, Berlin (Germany)

Dr Natasha W Vashisht

- Edited Collection of Essays on Merchant of Venice on Folly Foolery and the Fool: The Strange Case of Launcelot Gobbo in Merchant of Venice.

Dr. Renish Geevarghese Abraham

- Appointed as Teape Lecturer by the University of Cambridge on the 25th, 26th and 27th of October, 2017. Delivered three public lectures on "Negotiating Hinduism and Christianity in the History of Kerala"

Dr Neelam Saxena

- Chapter in book edited: Published three papers in Ritimukta Sahitya Vimarsh (A reference book for post graduate and Ph. D. students). Under publication from Kitab Ghar, Delhi.
- Evaluated Ph . D. Thesis of Revensha University, Cuttak.
- Evaluator for UPSC Civil Service Exams. (11.11.2017 to 20.11.2017)

Dr. Rohit Wanchoo

- MPhil Examiner for Zakir Husain Centre for Educational Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi , 19th May, 2017

Dr. Tasneem Suhrawardy

- Visited Middlebury College, Vermont, USA to deliver lectures on Indian History in April 2017 as a part of exchange programme between Middlebury College and St. Stephens College.

Dr. Mahesh Gopalan

- Moralizing Commerce in a Globalized World, German Historical Institute, London.

Dr. Raj Kumar

- International Conference of Asian Libraries (ICAL)-2017 as a Resource Person & at Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi (India)
- Major Research Project: A Study of the Information Access Mechanism for Visually Impaired Students in Higher Educational Institutes in Delhi for two years.
- International Research Publication: A comprehensive digital environment for visually impaired students: A User's Perspectives in Library Hi Tech (Emerald), 35 (4), 1-19, ISSN 0737-8831, SJR 2016 0.646, SNIP 20161.178 (Peer reviewed)
- International Research Publication: Academic social networking sites: comparative analysis of ResearchGate, Academia. edu, Mendeley and Zotero, Information and Learning Science (Emerald) 118 (5.6), 1-29, ISSN: 2398-5348(Peer reviewed)
- International Research Publication: Gender perception in the development of online legal information system for the Indian environment in The Bottom Line (Emerald) 30 (3), 90-119, ISSN 0888-045X(Peer Reviewed)
- International Research Publication: Information literacy literature in the social sciences & humanities: a bibliometric study in New Library World (Emerald), 118 (1/2), 67-89 , ISSN: 2398-5348(peer reviewed)
- Participated in Third India Public Libraries Conference and workshop scheduled from 03rd to 05th October 2017, NASSCOM

Dr A.D. Mathur

- Ph.D..s :
 - (A) Two Ph.Ds submitted to the University of Delhi under my supervision this year
 - (B) Two students working on their Ph.D.
- M.Phil.
 - One M.Phil dissertation submitted to the University of Delhi under my supervision

Dr C B Jha

- I served as an EXTERNAL EXPERT to conduct three Viva Voce for researchers for their Doctoral Thesis. First Ph.D. viva was conducted at Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth , New Delhi .

Second Ph. D. interview was conducted at Jiwaji University , Gwalior. Third viva was conducted at Vikram University , Ujjain to examine the researcher's suitability for promotion to SRF from JRF .

- Elected as " Sectional President " of "Classical Sanskrit Section " for the 49th session of All India Oriental Conference, being organised next month (18 - 20th of May , 2018) at Somnath Sanskrit University , Gujarat . All India Oriental Conference is the oldest and highest forum in India for discussing research in oriental studies.
- One researcher is presently pursuing his Ph. D. work under my supervision.
- Received following two prestigious AWARDS during 2017-18;
 1. " ATAL MITHILA SAMMAN " Award, instituted by Hind Media Post was conferred upon me by noted Bollywood singer Mr. Udit Narayan , in the presence of Finance Minister of India and other dignitaries at Le Meridien Hotel , New Dwlhi , on the eve of birthday of our former Prime Minister Mr. Atal Bihari Bajpai on 25th of December,2017 .
 2. " VIDYASAGAR SAMMAN " Award , Instituted by " Mandakini Sanskrit Vidwatparishat " , Delhi , one of the oldest and most respected organisations of traditional scholars in Sanskrit was bestowed upon on 28th of January,2018.

Mr Sujoy K John

- Presented a Paper at International Sports Management (08.03.2018 to 10.03.2018)

Mr Malay Neerav

- Awarded Best Faculty Award by Enactus India, a part of SIFE (an NGO)

Dr Karen Gabriel

- Expert deposition /presentation, titled 'Right of Way: Understanding 'Educational Reforms' in the Time of Modi', as a Resource Person on higher education, at the People's Tribunal on Attack on Educational Institutions in India', organized by the People's Commission on Shrinking Democratic Space at the Constitution Club, New Delhi, 11-13 April 2018.
- Organized a Panel for ATINER on 'Sex and Media' as part of the 15th Annual International Conference on Communication and Mass Media, 8-11 May 2017, Athens, Greece, sponsored by the Athens Journal of Mass Media and Communications

Dr Digvijay K Singh

Details of the Publication (Chapters in edited books):

- Singh, Digvijay Kumar, 'Perceptions of Coastal Topographies: Malabar and its Ports, c.10th-14th centuries CE', in Kenneth R. Hall, Rila Mukherjee and Suchandra Ghosh, eds., *Subversive Sovereigns Across the Seas: Indian Ocean Ports-of-Trade from Early Historic times to Late Colonialism*, Kolkata: The Asiatic Society, 2017
- Singh, Digvijay Kumar, 'Jews and Maritime Trade of Malabar, c. 11th-13th Centuries: Gleanings from the Business Letters from Cairo Geniza', in Pius Malekandathil, Lotika Varadrajan and Amar Farooqui, eds., *India, the Portuguese and Maritime Interactions*, New Delhi: Primus Books, 2018

Besides all of these notable achievements the faculty have been carrying on their regular teaching and tutorial work. Our Junior Members continue to be our pride and I am grateful to all our non-teaching staff who make it possible for us to look back with satisfaction on the year that was. Ladies and gentlemen, I conclude the Annual Report here wishing all of you well.

Prof John Varghese

April, 2018