

NAVAJYOTHI COLLEGE CHERUPUZHA

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About Institution

Navajyothi college at Cherupuzha in Kannur, district, is an academic initiative of the CST Fathers of the Little Flower Congregation who began their ministry there in the 1990s. They realized the need of people for higher education and hence an affiliated self-financed college was started in 2010. The first batch of students was admitted to the three courses of B.com-Computer Application, BBA, and BCA in the following year. In 2013 B.Com Co-operation, BA English Literature with Journalism, and M.Com finance were added to the courses offered by the college. Later years M.Com Marketing, MA English, BA Economics, and B.Com Finance were added to the existing course.

From the beginning, the students of Navajyothi were guided and motivated to excel both in academics and co-curricular activities. When the first batch completed their courses, the college bagged the university ranks in various courses to date. The management is focused on training the students both in the curricular and co-curricular activities of the students. The students of this college bagged many medals in sports and games and at university. The departmental association conducts national and state-level fests and special events coordinating different campuses from across India. Departmental clubs and associations are very active on the campus and the students are prepared to become capable and responsible citizens and leaders. The management staff and students work together to make a better more prosperous and promising future for the next generation and the country.

Vision

Lighted to Enlighten

Mission

- To empower and strengthen young men and women to face the challenges of life.
- To form constructive and responsible citizens
- To enable young men and women to stand for justice, peace and happiness
- To develop the employability skills of the students
- To excel in academics and to ensure the integral growth of students

Core Values

- **Create Men and Women for and with Others:** We aim not at creating just intellectual beings that are self-centered but to form individuals that care for others and society.
- **Cura Personalise :** Care for the individual- every aspect of an individual is taken care of at Navajyothi college. It includes intellectual, social, physiological, political, spiritual and moral, etc.
- **Constitutional Values :** Adequate attention is given to impart the constitutional values of the country and teach them to the students to promote the ‘fundamental duties’
- **Forming and Educating Agents of Change :** Our ultimate aim is to form individuals for change.

PROGRAMMES OFFERED

Undergraduate Programme

- ✓ B A English literature with Journalism
- ✓ B A Economics
- ✓ Bachelor of Computer Studies
- ✓ Bachelor of Business Administration
- ✓ Bachelor of Commerce: B.Com Computer Application
- ✓ -B.Com Cooperation
- ✓ Postgraduate Courses
- ✓ M A English Literature
- ✓ M.Com Finance
- ✓ M.Com Marketing

Faculty Development Programme

The faculty development programme on Classroom Management was conducted at Navajyothi College, Cherupuzha on 30th June 2018. The programme was attended by 36 faculty members of the college. The welcome address was delivered by the Principal, Dr Shajimon T. J. In his presidential address, Rev.Fr. Siby Joseph emphasized that effective classroom management increases meaningful academic learning and facilitates social and emotional growth. The programme was inaugurated by the chief guest Rev. Dr John Kochupurackal with the lighting of the lamp. The chief guest delivered a valuable speech. The programme was felicitated by Prof. A. J. Hareendran, HOD, Department of English and Ms Sillu John, Department of Commerce.

The programme progressed with the lecture at 11. A.M. by Rev. Dr John Kochupurackal, he mainly focused on **Classroom Management**, its strategies, and techniques. He gave highlights to the major components of classroom management. He gave a detailed talk about the authoritative approach which he considered as the best classroom management style. He stressed that it helps manage students' behaviour and learning.

During the interactive session, faculties interacted with the expert and among themselves. They discussed the problems in classroom management. A concluding session followed after the tea break in which participants shared their experiences. Sr. Rosily Joseph, staff secretary, proposed a vote of thanks for the programme.

Faculty Development Programme – Non Teaching Staff

The faculty development programme on Time Management was conducted at Navajyothi College, Cherupuzha on 17th May 2018. The programme was attended by the faculty members of the college. The welcome address was delivered by the Principal, Dr Shajimon T. J. In his presidential address, Rev.Fr.

Siby Joseph emphasized that time management is the ability to use time productively and efficiently.

The programme was inaugurated by the chief guest, Rev. Fr. Jimmy Anjilithoppil with the lighting of the lamp. The chief guest delivered a valuable speech. The programme was felicitated by Mr Amal Joshy. The programme progressed with the lecture at 11. A.M. by Rev. Fr. Jimmy Anjilithoppil, in which he mainly focused on Time Management, its strategies and principles, and its relevance.

He gave highlights to the most important time management skills. He pointed out 8 skills and gave a detailed talk about them. He stressed that everyone should understand the difference between "urgent" and "important."

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IQAC Initiatives

The IQAC of the college has initiated many activities in order to actualise the goal of IQAC. The meetings of the IQAC has taken decisions regarding the implementation of each activity. As per the short term strategic plan, IQAC has visualised the following to be actualised.

- Started MoU with institutes PG Department of Commerce, Nehru Arts and Science College, Kanhangad,
- Started department libraries for those departments having Postgraduate courses [Commerce and English]
- Initiated green auditing on the campus by Flora the nature Club.
- For the gradual development of academics, IQAC through various departments and clubs conducted the following;

- Inter-department and intercollegiate Competitions,
- New certificate courses,
- Faculty development programmes,
- Administrative training for the non-teaching staff,
- Internal academic audit,
- Feedback collection and analysis on curriculum and Action Taken report,
- Assessment of the Programme outcome and Course outcome attainment.

These were the actions taken by the IQAC during the year 2018-19.

Department Activities

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

The Department of English of Navajyothi College has its conspicuous mission of promoting literacy by fostering the inherent potential of the students to read, write, and think critically. This is being done with the belief that language which is a medium of expression and communication patently plays a pivotal role in the personality of an individual noted especially for its linguistic competence. As is known to all that language is a medium of expression and communication and it overtly plays a crucial role in the personality of an individual. The Department of English of Navajyothi College is all set for attaining the goal of providing excellent academic orientation and proficiency in English. The English faculty has its volitional task of giving the students a firm grounding in communication practice, making the students competent in the basics of English language and grammar, enhancing their English listening, speaking, reading and writing skills and using the literary content of the text in refining their human sense and sensibilities. Needless to say that the Department of English is committed to get its vision materialized in the years to come also.

1. Induction Programme for First Year Students (Report)

The Department of English hosted an induction program for the first-year students on 4th July 2018. The program was organized to acquaint the students with the academic and non-academic activities. The head of the Department, Prof. A J Hareendran, extended a warm welcome to the students and delivered the *induction address*. He explained to the students in detail the need to study grammar and acquire the language skills. Details were also given about the syllabus, internal examination and end-semester examination. The academic regulations, courses in the curriculum, CGPA calculations were also briefed to the students. The students were also told about the various club activities at Navajyothi College and opportunities to excel in sports activities. The principal of the institution felicitated the students giving an insight into the mission and vision of the institution, the facilities available and the various events that were carried out on and off the campus. During the program the students were given an idea of the short term course in communicative English and the basics of grammar. There were also made aware of the difference between the learning process in school and college. The students had an interactive session with the mentors assigned to them. The program was coordinated by the faculty members of the department of English.

2. Certificate Course in 'Basic English grammar & communicative English'

The Department of English owes its acclamation to its self-imposed mission of enabling the students to read well, to write well and to think well, to equip themselves with appropriate knowledge in the discipline of English Language and Literature and also to make them proficient and competent in the global language which in turn will help them to get professionally settled. The Dept. is proud of those who express themselves clearly and comprehensively by virtue of their having an enviable linguistic competence. One of the conspicuous objectives of the Dept. is materialised annually through propaedeutic classes for the fledglings of all departments, which is

an effective initiation into linguistic acquisition. This week-long programme helps the students to develop listening and speaking skills and also to adapt themselves in an alien atmosphere.

English Club' Inauguration

The first of a series of activities done in 2018-2019 was the inauguration of 'English Club' by Prof. Vinodkumar K.V, Head of the department of English of Govt. College, Peringome on 11.11.2018 followed by a talk on "Literature and Society'. The meeting was presided over by Fr siby Joseph and he spoke at length about the various pro student activities aiming at the improvement of their linguistic competence and overall development of their personality. Prof. K V Vinodkumar inaugurated the club jointly with Fr Siby Joseph. He was really happy when informed him of the activities of the department and its atmosphere. In the session after the inauguration, he gave an enlightening and informative talk on literature and society. He said: "Literature means something that is written for refreshing and inspiring the mind. It records the thoughts and feelings of great minds. It attracts in two ways—through its matter and manner. The matter must be such that those who read it are interested in some way. The manner must be such as will be pleasing to the reader and adds to his fund of knowledge. The subject matter of literature is society in some form or other."

Inter-collegiate State Level Debate and Business Quiz Competition.

Godwin and Aneeshya of III DC offered their participation in a debate conducted by Institute of Co-operative Management, Parassinikkadavu on 21.03.2019.

Workshop on Research Methodology 2018-'19

Department of English, Navajyothi College, Cherupuzha, organized a workshop on research methodology on 16/10/2018 from 10 am- 1 pm in the audio-visual room. The workshop was mainly aimed for the third year BA English students and first year MA students as they are having a project work to be carried out as part of their course. The programme was

inaugurated by Dr Shajimon T J, Principal, Navajyothi College. The meeting was presided over by Prof. A J Hareendran, Head of the Department of English. Ms. Aardra V.S, Assistant Professor, Payyannur College, was the resource person for the workshop. The workshop was effective in inculcating a research mind among the participants. The resource person explained the aim and scope of research and other academic project works. Then she detailed the methodology one has to follow while doing research in literature. She had also shared details of online resources helpful for doing research. The students were given time to ask doubts regarding their project topics. Interactive session and active participants made the programme an effective and successful one.

Celebration of 'National Press Day'

The department of English takes keen interest in celebrating days of national interest in all its grandeur. So, National Press Day was celebrated on November 16, 2018 on the theme "Freedom is the need". The programme commenced at 9.30 am with the welcoming of the principal and other members of the department followed by beautiful prayer sung by Aiswarya Jiji, one of the first year students of graduation. The honourable Principal Dr Shajimon T J inaugurated the function. Mr. Priyesh Kumar P V, Assistant Professor of English department gave valuable message to the students about the importance of celebrating National Press day and the need of freedom in press. National Press day is symbolic of a free and responsible press in India. This was the day on which the Press Council of India started functioning as a moral watchdog to ensure that not only did the press maintain the high standard expected from this powerful medium but also that it was not fettered by the influence or threats of any extraneous factors. Though there are several press or media councils world over, the Press Council of India is a unique entity in as much as this is the only body to exercise an authority even over the instruments of the state in its duty to safeguard the independence of the press. The programme was a great success and highly informative. The programme came to an end with a vote of thanks by Ashley Devasia, one of the first year students.

Department of Commerce

December 7th 2018 the commerce Department Navajothi College conducted a “Recent trends in research” for final year b.com students .The program was presided over by the respected HOD Mr. Mathew M.J The project class was conducted by the eminent personality Roshan Thomas the Asst. prof. Department of Commerce, Nirmala College. The class was witnessed by 85 students and all the guiding teachers of the project. The session was provided by him was a wonderful experience to each and every one who participated. It gives a clear awareness about the project and its mode of preparation. At the first session, he was given priority to the topic selection, he acknowledged that the topic should be related to commerce and it should be currently relevant topic. Afterwards he was provided detailed information about the preparation of objectives and its variables. Then he explained each and every step for the project preparation in an simple manner which made the audience to capture the points. After that session the students got an opportunity to present their topics and its objectives and also questionnaire with power point presentation. Then he gave necessary corrections and clarifications related to presented topic. The class motivated each students and teachers to complete the project successfully. At the end of the session the student’s representative Alen K Suresh, B.COM (CA) delivered vote of thanks.

Department of Economics

Department of Economics was established in 2018 to impart quality education to prospective students of rural villages and high ranges of Malabar as their accessibility to excellent higher education institutions is limited. The establishment of the department was, in every aspect, in par with the radical and compassionate view of Little Flower Congregation in ensuring inclusion and accessibility in higher education. As a budding branch of Navajyothi College, the department has been functioning enormously well by organising several academic activities which include seminars, workshops, conferences and other programmes for the betterment of its pupil. The department currently offers Undergraduate courses in

Economics (B.A. Economics). The courses taught in the department are designed in accordance with the demands of job market and the students admitted to the course are being offered a skill gaining, intensive training in application oriented economics as well as in economic theorising. The skillful faculty of the department includes experienced educators, who are extremely talented in teaching as well as in economic research. The department envisages producing compassionate, skillful and talented young minds as such they can provide the society with radical and substantial change in the realms of development, inclusion, poverty and inequality.

The year 2018 marked a new beginning for the college since it officially established the Department of Economics and the department began its operation with only two members of the faculty and 20 students. The department was led by Fr. Anto C. N., CST and triggered the working momentum of the department in par with the regulations of the University. Instead of organising academic programmes, the department concentrated in sculpting out a student friendly environment for the students. Towards this aim the following programmes were conducted in the year.

Induction and Orientation Programme for Students 6th July 2018

As the first batch of newly formed department admitted, the students were officially welcomed to the college in a meeting held at seminar hall of the college on 1st July, 2018 by the management and the faculty members of the Department. The meeting was presided over by Rev. Fr. Anto C. N., CST, head of the department of economics and Prof. Shajimon delivered the key note address during which he elaborately described the possibilities of being a student of economics and the prospective career opportunities for them. Mr. Vishnu Siby, student representative expressed the vote of thanks. During the year, the department was more focused on arranging physical infrastructure, creating a library for the students of economics, managing the paper works that are to be completed for the proper functioning of the department and preparing the study aids and materials in accordance with the need of the students.