

FRIENDS OF POLICE

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-17

Introduction about the Club:

Friends of Police an initiative by **Dr.Prateep.V.Philip IPS**, when he was SP of Ramanathapuram District in 1993. It was then extended by the Hon'ble Chief Minister to the whole state of Tamil Nadu in 1994. At present, he is holding the position of Additional Director General of Police (Civil Supplies CID), Tamil Nadu.

Aims of FOP:

- ❖ It aims at a holistic approach in helping them in their personal growth by offering activities such as tai-chi, meditation etc and also introduces capacity building, community learning and development, learning literacy and learning civic responsibilities.
- ❖ To bring Police and public in one umbrella.
- ❖ To create channels to receive right information on right time.
- ❖ To help police to correct the public who involve in antisocial activities.
- ❖ To project right kind of image about police among the public..
- ❖ Public will understand and appreciate the work by the police and try to help them.

FOP an acronym for

- ❖ Friends Of Police
- ❖ Friends Of People
- ❖ Friends Of Principles
- ❖ Friends Of Poor
- ❖ Friends Of Pupils

Mission Statement:

Connecting police and people at their best.

- Coming together is a beginning...
- Keeping together is progress....
- Working together is success....

Purpose of FOP:

The purpose of FOP is to spread the concept of community policing. It is designed to increase the capacity of FOPians to make instant decisions, engage in problem solving activities and facilitate partnership between the police and the public to make the police, people friendly and make people, police friendly.

Role of FOPs:

- ❖ 62% of FOPs helped with Police in investigation of crimes.

- ❖ 83% helped in the maintenance of law and order.

Impact of FOP in students:

- ❖ 62% could understand and appreciate the difficulties in policing.
- ❖ Sympathizing and empathizing the public.
- ❖ 92% of fops are not misused by police.
- ❖ 84% of fops also had never misused his/her status.

The Coordinators for the academic year 2016 - 2017

Shift-I

Dr.J.Vanitha M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., DCA., CES.,
Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Loyola College.

Shift-II

Prof.C.Ramkumar MBA., M.Phil.
Assistant Professor, Department of BBA, Loyola College.

Office Bearers for the academic year 2016-17:

President (Shift – I): Mr. S. Vijay
President (Shift – II): Mr. A. Ram Kumar

FOP Silver Jubilee Celebration in Maduranthagam:

This year the Friends of Police club, all over state is celebrating its Silver Jubilee. Hence, to acknowledge and encourage the FOPians from all over the state, who have done an exemplary work, an award function was organised in Maduranthagam Unit . The Coordinators along with the outstanding students went to receive the award which was organised on 18th July, 2017. During the Chief Guest address, Dr. Prateep.V.Philip, the Founder Director, congratulated and honoured the FOP Unit of Loyola.

Ovations:

As a part of the disciplinary work in college, FOP students were on duty on the two days of mega event of our college Ovations 2017, on 28th September and 29th September , 2017. A total of 20 students each day, were on duty for the event. FOP students were part of this event by



escorting the VIPs and disciplining the venue and ensured for the smooth conduct of the programme. They reported around 7 am in the morning and worked until the programme ended. FOP unit was well appreciated by all officials of Loyola College for the tiresome work and service.

National Seminar on “Campus Safety in Higher Education Institutions: Illusion or Reality” - Organised by FOP club in collaboration with State FOP Unit, Multimedia Training and Documentation Centre:



With rise of crime and hostilities in campuses of higher education in and around world, the safety in these campuses becomes jeopardy. Thus students need to know more on safety inside the campus. Hence, a National Seminar was conducted by FOP club in collaboration with State FOP, Multi media training Centre, on December 6th, 2017.

This seminar gave insights on safety inside the campus. This seminar was organized as part of the annual events of FOP unit Loyola College. The event happened on 6-12-2017 at Lawrence Sundaram Hall in Loyola College- Chennai. Students from various colleges across the city were part of this seminar and even faculty members from other institutions participated in this event. The seminar was presided over by Dr. Prateep.V.Philip IPS, Additional Deputy General of Police (Civil Supplies CID). It also had special guests such as Mr. Sudhir Lodha, Member, Minorities planning commission, Tamilnadu, Mrs. Sonal Chandra IPS, Superintendent of Police (Civil Supplies CID) and Dr. Uma Maheshwari, Senior Faculty Member, FOP. The event began with a prayer and was followed by a welcome address. Further Prof G. Lourdusami, State coordinator – FOP gave a brief speech on the history of the organisation.

The first speaker was Dr. R. R. Krishnamurthy, who spoke on the vulnerability of Chennai, which is prone to natural disasters. This talk was vital as we still have rumors on climatic changes and drastic natural disasters. He gave a holistic view and clarified on how things have changed in the past years. Further he also spoke on how to overcome these changes which make Chennai a disaster prone zone. Dr. John Joseph, Senior Faculty Member of FOP, spoke on campus safety. His work was detailed and a through study on how things can be done in a campus so that a campus becomes safe enough for all the people. Dr.P.T.Uma Maheshwari, Senior Faculty Member of FOP, enlightened on the campus safety of women students.

It was followed by the address of Dr. Prateep.V. Philip. He spoke on the need to integrate students with the police and bridge the gap between these two forces. Thus he also said that it the motto of FOP to do this and thus all educational institutions should encourage activities like FOP. His view was that organisations like FOP make a campus safe and disciplined. Thus it makes a campus safe. He further appreciated the efforts of the faculty advisors of FOP-Loyola College Unit, Dr.J.Vanitha, Coordinator, Shift 1 and Prof.C.Ramkumar Coordinator, Shift 2, for their continuous contribution and motivating the students and in particular for involving the students in community policing at large. All the participants were given certificates of participation. Thus the event ended with the National Anthem.



Independence Day & Republic Day Celebration:

FOP club joined hands with LSU, NCC and NSS in celebrating Independence and Republic days. Nearly 20 students and office bearers along with the Coordinators of Shift I and II reported on the Independence and Republic day, around 6.00 am and witnessed the flag hoisting which was followed by a short cultural programme.



10th Anniversary Celebration of FOP in Loyola:

FOP club was introduced in our college on 13th February, 2008. It was started under the guidance of Prof. I.A.J.Jeyadoss with few students. This year the club completed 10 years and mark of club entering into its 11th year, a simple cake cutting ceremony was arranged by the office bearers. Prof.G.Lourdusami, State Administrator, FOP, blessed the gathering to achieve greater heights and Mr.R.Raghunathen, State Liaison Officer, greeted the students. Former office bearers of the club also shared their evergreen memories during their period in the club.



Sports Day:

FOP cadets participated in the March Past event which was initiated in 2015 and gave a demonstration of efficient marching which was well appreciated by all. Around 20 students participated in this event on sports day on 16th February for Shift II and 17th February, 2018, for Shift I respectively. This year as a sign of women team in FOP, the placard holder was Ms. Maria Thrisila, a second year student of Viscom Department. Apart from participating in March Past, FOP students also assisted the Physical Education Department by making the venue ready for the events and maintain the discipline during conduct of the track events.



Participation in “Vaaname Ellai” Programme - Jaya TV:

FOP was a part of Jaya TV’s popular programme “Vaaname Ellai” which is telecasted in the prime time Sundays 8.00 to 9.00 p.m. Present and former students of the club, along with the Shift –I Coordinator, Dr.J.Vanitha, participated in the programme. The shoot was conducted in the Jaya TV sets on 16th February, 2018 from 3.00 to 7.00 p.m. Dr. Sumithra of DORAI Foundation was the main participant of the show, but she highlighted about her collaboration and connection with FOP of Loyola. We had opportunity to address about the service of FOP inside and outside the campus. The Programme was telecasted on 3rd March, 2018.



Programmes Participated Assisting Police Department as DCP's Special Team:

With the request of Thiru. V.Balakrishnan IPS, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Mylapore, then, and under the guidance of Prof.G.Lourduswami, State Administrator, FOP, our students actively involved in disciplining the public in three events. DCP, Thiru.V.Balakrishnan appreciated the students for their involvement and efficient service. He also shared this in his facebook page. This was an excellent opportunity for our students to interact with the public and to learn and appreciate the tiresome work done by the Police Department. The events are

1) Spoken Wave Festival – An event in VGP

With the request from the Founder Director of FOP, Dr. Prateep.V.Philip, around 15 FOP students went for the disciplining of the event conducted by social activist Ms. Nimisha Sarah Philip in the VGP Golden Beach premises.

2) Parthasarathi Temple – Vaikunda Ekadesi Festival

Location: Near Parthasarathi Temple, Triplicane

3) Kapaleeshwarar Temple – Mahashivarathri Event

Location: Kapaleeshwarar Temple, Mylapore

4) Kolavizhi Amman Thiruvizha

Location: Near Kolavizhi Amman Temple, Mylapore



Fitness and Parade Practice:

To maintain physical fitness a programme was introduced under the guidance of Prof.C.Ramkumar, Coordinator, Shift II. The students assembled in the college ground and physical exercises were conducted starting from meditation, yoga, breathing exercises and running, followed by parade practice with break in between. Intense parade practice sessions were conducted which lasted for nearly 3 hours. The fitness programme followed by parade practice was conducted almost on all Sundays.



Night Patrolling:

Night Patrolling was done by FOP cadets as it is mandatory to clear the club hours. As directed by the State FOP Administrator, the students were linked with 3 Police Stations. They did a excellent job and were much appreciated by the Assistant Commissioner of Police - Nungambakkam Range and Inspectors of Nungambakkam, Thousand Lights and Choolaimedu Police Stations.

Nungambakkam F3 Police Station,
Thousand Lights F4 Police Station and
Choolaimedu F5 Police Station.



First Women FOP team :





Highlights of the Club this year:

- ❖ First Women FOP team.
- ❖ DCP's Special Team in disciplining public events.
- ❖ Night Patrolling – unique feature of the club.
- ❖ Fitness and Parade Practice.
- ❖ 10th Anniversary Celebration.