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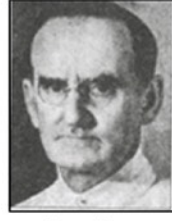
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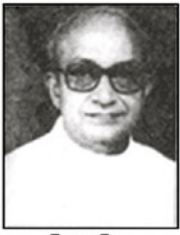


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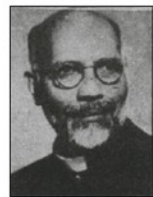
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FROM THE DESK OF

Prof. S. Pencier, Vice Principal Shift I

I am extremely happy that 'Loyola Insider' provides ample space for recording and seeing our own actions and achievements in this campus, in print and visuals. It gives us nostalgic feelings as we travel down the lane of activities in our campus.

My association with Loyola in academics and administration for nearly two decades has given me great learning, immense strength and satisfaction. It is true while teaching the students, the teachers also learn from them. At the same time, students become the subject of the teacher's actions, target of the teacher's thoughts and complement of the teacher's endeavors.

At a time when many factors tend to distract the students and young minds, every teacher needs to play the role of a constructive mentor and instil good values in the minds of the students apart from transferring knowledge. We know that our nation's progress is in the hands of the youth and we need to prepare them for that. In this aspect our college provides excellent facilities for the students to learn and grow. I am sure that our students and youth will bring glory to our college and country.



Dr K.S. Antonysamy, Director, WEPRO

Cumulative experience of the past contributes undoubtedly towards the development of any person and institution. It provides us with necessary scaffolding, insights and values, and more importantly guides us to the right path. Loyola College too recognizes the truth. As a sign of acknowledging the substantial contribution made by the shapers of destiny at Loyola, Loyola Alumni Association honored on Loyola Alumni Day (October 02, 2017) all former Rectors, Secretaries and Principal who shared the vision and mission and ably steered the college to the status of excellence. Loyola Insider, therefore, pays tribute to all those leaders in this edition. We also urge the bold and the young to learn from the experienced and even proudly say that we stand on the shoulders of giants.

The effort of student members of WEPRO in preparing the e-journal is laudable. It may be a poor thing but their own. They too contribute towards the chronicler of the college. In this process, they also learn to write, edit, organize, design and make it a learning experience. Furthermore, in the context of even educational institutions being evaluated for standard and quality education, let us realize the truth we need to fare not only well but forward as well.



Prof. S. Pencier
Vice Principal, Shift I



Dr K.S. Antonysamy
Director, WEPRO

CAMPUS NEWS



AUGUST'17 - MARCH'18





Loyola College, a Catholic Minority Institution, was founded by the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in 1925, with the primary objective of providing University Education in a Christian atmosphere for deserving students irrespective of caste and creed.

It started functioning in July 1925 with just 75 students on the rolls in three undergraduate courses of Mathematics, History and Economics.

ACADEMIC MENTORING:

Personal and Academic mentoring for the students is hallmark of Loyola College where the mentors take initiative to accompany the students towards their betterment of careers. Hence, a training programme for all the mentors was regularly conducted. As the result, they actualized the fruits of their training in participating mentoring session with the respective students on August 02 & 03, 2017.



INDEPENDENCE DAY:

On the graceful occasion of 71st Indian Independence Day celebration, the staff and students fondly acknowledged the sweat and blood of the freedom fighters, saluted the entire nation. Dr. Albin Fleming, a senior professor of Zoology Department hoisted the National Flag and the Independence Day message was delivered by Dr. Robert Bellarmine, another senior professor from Sociology Department.



LOYOLA



Loyola College, though affiliated to University of Madras, became autonomous in July 1978. It is autonomous, in the sense that it is empowered to frame its own course of studies and adopt innovative methods of teaching and evaluation. The University degrees will be conferred on the students passing the examinations conducted by the college. UGC conferred the status of “College with potential for Excellence” on Loyola College in 2004 and confirmed the same in 2010.



85th BERTRAM MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT:

In memory of Fr. Bertram, Loyola College honors the field of sports by conducting various outdoor and indoor tournaments for the sportspersons of South India. The enthusiasm of sports participants, shown during the inauguration (17th August 2017), was remarkable and encouraging. Mr. M. N. Mohan Doss, Retire senior officer PRO, IOB and Mr. M. Tamizh Vendan IRS, Joint Commissioners of Customs, Chennai were the guests of honor. They as true alumni of Loyola College fondly remembered their days and assured the sports persons of all sorts of support.



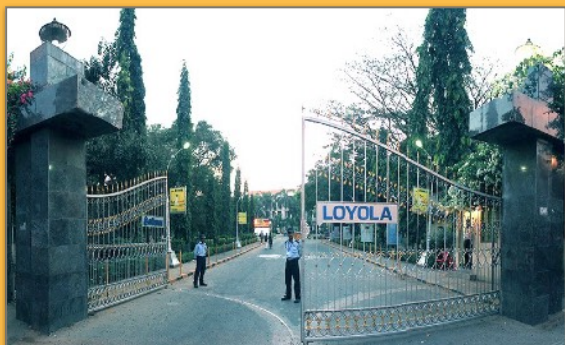
DEEP LEARNING FOR COMPUTER VISION:

A Two Day Hands-on Workshop on “Deep Learning for Computer Vision” was organised by Loyola - Racine Research Institute of Mathematics and Computing Sciences (LIMCOS) on September 02 & 03, 2017. The objective of the workshop was to create awareness about deep learning that is a fast-growing field of Artificial Intelligence concerned with the study and design of computer algorithms for learning good representations of data, at multiple levels of abstraction.



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NAAC's re-accreditation score in 2012 (Third Cycle) is 3.70 out of 4.00 CGPA. UGC has elevated Loyola College to the status of “College of Excellence” for the period from April 1, 2014 till March 31, 2019. Today, there are 19 P.G courses and 19 U.G courses (Arts, Sciences and Commerce) and 12 special Institutes offering various programs to 12,107 students. 11 departments are offering M.Phil. programs and 12 departments offer Ph.D. programs. At present, 117 teaching staff members out of 286 hold doctoral degree. There are 182 non-teaching staff in service.

OVATIONS 2018:

OVATIONS 2017, the grand finale of Loyola college cultural extravaganza, was held on 27th and 28th September 2017. For the inaugural event, Mr.Abirami Ramanthan, industrialist and Ms. Anuradha Sriram, playback singers were the guests of honour.



INAUGURATION OF FOOD COURT:

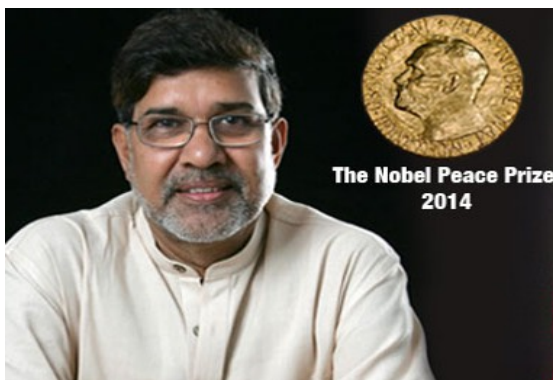
Much awaited Loyola Food Court – “Eat Right” was inaugurated on September 11, 2017. Mr. Mahadevan , the Chennai entrepreneur known for his quality service in the food industry and the architect of “Eat Right” and the officials of the college opened the grand sale for the staff and students.



LOYOLA



The College aims at training young men and women of quality to be leaders in all walks of life, whom we hope will play a vital role in bringing about the desired changes for the betterment of the people of our country, more particularly of the Dalits and other poorer sections of society.



BHARAT YATRA:

Bharat Yatra, People's Convention with Nobel Peace Laureate, Mr. Kailash Satyarthi was organized by Dept. of Social Work on September 13, 2017 at Loyola Campus to create awareness about the child abuse all over India.

89th GRADUATION DAY:

Loyola College celebrated its 89th graduation day on September 16, 2017. Out of 1917 students passed out 1374 students (946 UG, 370 PG, 68 M.Phil, 60 Gold Medalists and 30 Differently Abled) received the awards in person and 455 in absentia. Among these passed out graduates of 2015-16, 471 are employed, 60 students are Self-employed and 409 students are pursuing their higher studies. Dr P. Duraisamy, Vice Chancellor, University of Madras is the chief guest of the degree awarding programme. While delivering the graduation ceremony, he said that Loyola has empowered the students with skills, given them value based education, instilled confidence in them so as to leads a purposeful life and face the world with courage and conviction.



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The aim of the college is to educate young men and women to serve their fellow men and women in justice, truth and love. It fosters an atmosphere of intellectual vigour and moral rectitude in which the youth of our country may find their fulfilment and achieve greatness as eminent men and women of service.

CHENNAPATNAM:

Department of History in collaboration with the School of Service Learning, Loyola College organized a two day event for the Corporation Schools of Zone VIII, IX and X of the Chennai Corporation on 5th October, 2017. The objective of hosting these events was to encourage the students for further learning and to provide them a platform to display their skills.



REVISITING MODELS OF WIDOWS EMPOWERMENT:

The Department of Service Learning, Loyola College organised a seminar on the topic “Revisiting Models of Widows Empowerment in Sub- standard Settlements (Slums) in Chennai – A way forward” on 20th October 2017 which was sponsored by Aachi Masala. 120 widows from the outreach intervention slums were the primary participants of the seminar. Many Social work professionals and NGO representatives and student volunteers from various colleges were also invited as participants for this seminar. Dr. Uzhaganayagi Palani, Principal, Annai Velankanni, Arts & science women’s College was the chief guest for the Inauguration function of the seminar. She spoke about the social issues and conditions faced by the widows and she appealed to the society and in particular the younger generation that they should work for the development and improvement of the socio economic conditions of the widows.

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Loyola College looks at education differently. It consistently and constantly works to form the students as Competent, Committed, Creative and Compassionate men and women for and with others. This is the core of Jesuit Education. This is what has made Loyola climb to the top league of colleges in India.



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LOYOLA WORLD ALUMNI CONGRESS:

Loyola World Alumni Congress was organised by Loyola College on October 01 & 02, 2017 to offer all the alumni members a platform to look back, reminisce and draw strength from one another. On the occasion, Loyola Alumni Association (LAA) organised Media Blitz (LAMBZ' 17) on Oct 01, 2017 to honour the Star Alumni followed by cultural performances. Leading cinematographers like Venkatram, directors like Vetrimaran, actors like Jayam Ravi and many others figure in the event.



GREEN LOYOLA:

Actualising Green Loyola Programme, the college successfully launched Bio Gas Plant on Oct 02, 2017 to make use of the food waste and convert into energy. This is a sequel to Water Harvest Units and Sewage water Treatment Plant (STP). Speaking on the occasion Fr. Francis Jayapathy, S.J. the Rector of Loyola Institutions spelt out the concerns of Loyola in protecting and promoting the Environment. He said as part of Green Loyola Initiative the campus has over 75 Rain water Harvesting Rechargeable Wells, Loyola Sewage Treatment Plant (Loyola STP) to treat over 1,85,000 liters of sewage waste water every day and the present Biogas Plant.





India Today magazine has repeatedly ranked the Arts, Commerce and Science departments of Loyola College amongst the top 3 in India from 2006 to 2013. Loyola College is also awarded “the Best Men's College in the City on the Employability skills” by PR Syndicate.

CONFERENCE - COMMUNITY COLLEGES:

ICRDCE, Chennai organised the “International Conference on Curriculum Development for the Indian Community Colleges” on November 14-16, 2017. The Conference was sponsored by the U.S. Consulate General Chennai. During the three day workshop, U.S. and Indian experts fine-tuned and finalised the curriculum, which is to be incorporated for implementation of courses with the National Skill Development Corporation



RELIGION & CIVIL SOCIETY- NATIONAL CONFERENCE:

A two day National Conference on “Religion & Civil Society – Challenges and Responses” was organised by the department of Sociology on 28th and 29th of November, 2017. The keynote speaker Dr. Rowena Robinson, Professor of Sociology, IIT, Mumbai highlighted the importance of fraternity which is one of the Trinitarian values of the French Revolution. While assuring the dignity of the individual and the unity of the nation, fraternity propagates a much needed synthesis of cultures and is particularly relevant in the Indian context.



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The re-structuring of curriculum of both for UG and PG courses has drawn great appreciation from the stakeholders, namely the students, alumni, parents and industrial partners. Foundation courses and the Outreach programs in Loyola make a difference in the lives of the students forming them socially conscious and responsible citizens of the country.



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PRIVILEGING THE LESS PRIVILEGED:

Poetic legend VAIRAMUTHU inaugurated PRIVILEGING THE LESS PRIVILEGED: LOYOLA - GIVE LIFE, a fund raising programme on Dec 04, 2017 organised by Loyola Alumni Association to lend the poor students of neighbourhood a helping hand and speaks about the students' ability to take effort in life and be self-reliant.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION:

“Gloria 2017” – a Christmas carol competition was organised by Campus Ministry on December 09, 2017. The Christmas celebration for the students was held on 19th December 2016. Rev.Fr. Alan S.J., Superior Berchmans Illam delivered the Christmas message and impressed upon the students the importance of sharing. Rev. Dr. M. Arokiyasamy Xavier S.J., Principal and Rev. Dr. S.Lazar S.J., Secretary, Loyola College felicitated the gathering. The Jesuit brothers from Berchmans Illam, and the college choir filled the gathering with the spirit of Christmas with their wonderful singing of the carols. The Christmas get-together for the academic and the administrative staff was held on 19th December in front of the Quadrangle of the Jubilee building. All the faculties from LIBA, LICET, LCE, and IDCR were part of the celebration. Rev.Fr. David Arokiam, Director, Madha TV delivered the Christmas message.





The central library has a collection of more than 1,02,000 books, 225 journals, 8,087 e-journals and 48,146 e-books. The Loyola Digital Library provides 24 hours access to the students.

INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS DAY:

Department of Sociology in collaboration with Jesuit Migrant Service, LISSTAR and the Department of Service Learning (OUTREACH) organized an awareness campaign on **International Migrants Day** for the staff and students of Loyola College at the premises on December 20, 2017. The students took out a rally with drum beats and placards exhibiting the rights and the real plight of the global migrant workers. Dr. Bernard D'Sami, Co-ordinator of LISSTAR, captured the attention of the staff and students with his theoretical knowledge and data on the life, issues and the negligence of the respective Governments and positively, the contribution of the migrants to the development of the nations. Further, Fr. Sebastian, S.J, Director, Jesuit Migrant Service shared his experience of working among the migrant workers and insisted on the public responsibility to protect and accommodate the migrants in our vicinities.



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COMPUTING SCIENCE:

Loyola Research Institute of Mathematics and Computing Sciences (LIMCOS), Loyola College, Chennai hosted the International Conference on Computing Sciences (ICCS 2018) on January 08 & 09, 2018. The International Conference, ICCS 2018 aimed at creating a new forum for researchers working on applications of Mathematics



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LSSS in association with Alternative Media Center (AMC) conducted 5th edition of “Veedhi Virudhu Vizha” - A TAMIL FOLK ARTS REVIVING CELEBRATION on 6th and 7th of January, 2018 at Loyola College, Chennai. As many as 2000 folk artistes including 200 senior artistes from 32 districts of Tamil Nadu actively took part in it and expressed their love for the cultural symbols of the Land. Mr. T. Pandian, Leader of communist party of India graced the occasion and sensitised them on continuing the cultural heritage of Tamil Nadu.

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The primary aim of the College is to provide University education in a Christian atmosphere to deserving students, especially those belonging to the Catholic Christian Community. Although this college is meant primarily for Catholics, it does admit other students irrespective of their caste and creed.

CHENNAI LITERARY FESTIVAL:

As a part of its regular training activities to its members, WEPRO, Loyola College in association with Chennai Literary Festival 2018 conducted a workshop on Journalistic Writing at Loyola College on 09.01.2018 to orient the students on the need for and art of composing news items. Along with WEPRO members, 135 participants from 13 city colleges enthusiastically participated in the workshop and found it interactive and informative. The aim of workshop was to offer the participants hands on experience on writing to the journals and encourage them to put all that they acquire into the practice of preparing and presenting LAN & Loyola Insider. **Mr. Danial Thimmayya**, Chief Reporter, New Indian Express exposed the participants to a hands on



PONGAL CELEBRATION:

Pongal Celebration was organized on January on 11, 2018 for the staff and students. It was a demonstration of colours, music and traditional games. This year as a special gesture, Army displayed its ammunitions for the staff and students and its band performed musical concert to enthrall the audience.



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MAGIS 2018:

MAGIS 2018 – A Programme to rejuvenate the Youth, the South Asian version of the International version of MAGIS usually held every alternate year preceding the World Youth Day began on 12 January at Loyola College, Chennai. The event was organized by Fr. Paulraj SJ, Co-ordinator of the Tamil Nadu chapter of Jesuit Youth Ministry of South Asia (JYMSA). The three day event reflected on the theme – ‘Youth Ambassadors for Peace & Reconciliation’. More than 680 young students from all over India participated in the event.

CHENNAI STORYTELLING FESTIVAL:

WEPRO, Loyola College and World storytelling Institute jointly conducted a Four-day International Workshop titled “Chennai Storytelling Festival 2018” from Feb 08 to Feb 11, 2018. The main theme of the festival is "Storytelling for Teaching, Training, and Healing: Helping to Activate the Listener". The inaugural session of the festival was an International Symposium on “Narratives and Telling Epics” with Dr Martha Bigelow, Professor, University of Minnesota, USA, Ms Cathryn Fairlee, Professional Storyteller, California, USA, Dr Eric Miller, Director, World Storytelling Institute, Chennai as resource persons.





It is expected that this training would play a vital role in bringing about the desired change for the betterment of the people of our country, more particularly the poorer and marginalised sections of the society and especially dalits.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PRACTICES:

An International Conference on "Sustainable Development Practices in the Modern Business Era" (ICSDP-2018) was organized by Department of Commerce, Loyola College on February 7 & 8, 2018. **Minister K. Pandiarajan** gave the inaugural address and insisted on sustainable development.



SPORTS DAY:

Loyola College celebrated its 93rd Annual Sports Day on 16th & 17th February 2018. Mr. Md Shakeel Akhter, IPS Addl. Director General of Police, Armed Police, Chennai, Mr. Mohammed Riaz, Arjuna Awardee – Hockey Olympian, General Manager, Air India, Chennai, Dr.M.C.Sarangan IPS, Addl.Commissioner of Police (L&O), South, Chennai and Mr.A.Maria Irudayam, Arjuna Awardee – Carrom World Champion, Senior Manager (Rted). Air India, Chennai were the Chief Guests of the opening and prize distribution ceremonies of 93 Annual Sports Day of Loyola College. They insisted on acquiring the values derived from sports and games. Further, they said that soft skills like leadership and team work could easily be picked up from participating and organising the sports events.



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Loyola Men's Hostel and Loyola Women's Hostel together have 836 rooms and can accommodate 1650 students.



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FUNDING PROGRAMME FOR WIDOWS:

Department of Service Learning, Loyola College has initiated an event to distribute revolving fund for the young widows identified at the outreach intervention areas, Chennai. More than 100 widows were identified by the students who were assigned to identify the needy from most vulnerable background. CIOSA has donated Rs. 2, 05, 000 as revolving fund for 41 members (Rs. 5000 each), since outreach intervention areas are 41. Mr. Rajasekaran, MPP trust motivated the young widows to utilise the amount properly. Rev. Dr. Arokiasamy Xavier S.J., Principal, Loyola College and Rev. Dr. Louie Albert S.J., presented those young widows with the cheque of Rs. 2, 05, 000.

QUIZ AND DEBATE:

DEBUZZ '18 Loyola National Level Quiz Festival and BLITZKRIEG Loyola Annual Debate Championship 2018 was organised by Dean of Students Office & Loyola Debate Society and Quiz Club on March 2 & 3, 2018.

BLITZKRIEG

THEIA 2018:

THEIA 2018 Inter - Collegiate Cultural & Sports Meet for the Visually Challenged Students - March 5, 2018 Organised by RCDA.



MAJOR SERVICES

• Campus Ministry • Student Counselling Centre • Training and placement Cell • Centre for Women's Studies • RCDA Centre for differently-abled students • Loyola Students Support Services (LSSS)



OUTREACH DAY:

Outreach Day Celebration - March 13, 2018 Organised by Department of Service Learning.



NUANCES OF RESEARCH WRITING:

A one day programme, discussion on “Nuances of Research Writing” to impart the nuts and bolts of news reading and editing in the young minds was organised by Dr.K.S. Antonyamsamy , WEPRO Director on 2-3-18. In addition, a Discussion on “Nuances of Research Writing” - was also organized on March 16, 2018. Dr Martha Bigelow, Professor, University of Minnesota, USA initiated the discussion with 20 Ph. D Scholars.



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Loyola College Chennai has been conferred with the coveted award of “College of Excellence” (CE) for the best practices in teaching and research. University Grants Commission (UGC), Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), and Government of India as a sequel to the “College with potential for excellence (CPE)” status granted a decade ago, has given this prestigious recognition.



93rd COLLEGE DAY:

Loyola College has celebrated its 93rd College Day on March 17, 2018. Hon'ble Justice **Thiru. V. Bharathidasan**, Judge, Madras High Court and Illustrious Alumnus of our College and **Mr. Achim Fabig**, Consul General, German Consulate, Chennai addressed the staff and students and distributed the medals to the meritorious students. The video graphic form of the academic milestones of the college was shown on the occasion.



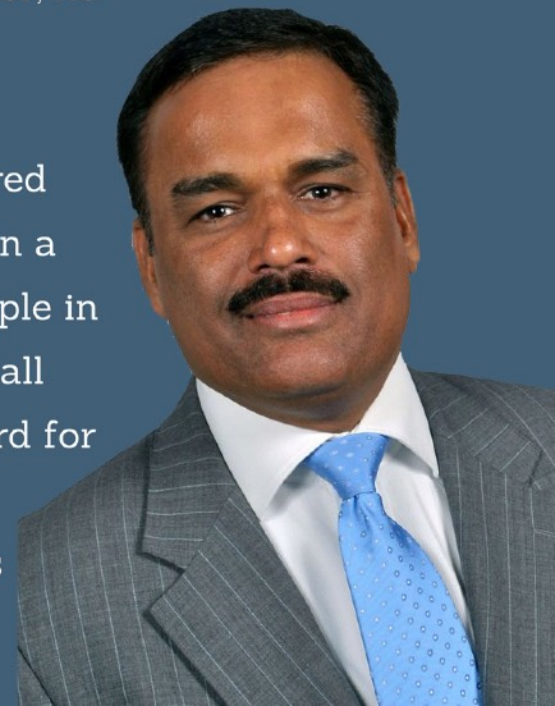
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SUCCESS STORY OF A LOYOLITE

*From Sathyamangalam to Geneva:
Success Story of Raja P. Arumugham*

Mr. Raja P. Arumugham, Chief Administration at OJSRS, United Nations Lausanne Area, Switzerland is a textbook example of 'rags-to-riches' formula. From his school days in Government Boys High School, Sathyamanagalam to his college days at Loyola College, Chennai, and even beyond, he showed sheer grit, determination and 360 degree effort taking ability to climb the rungs of the success ladder. His dream to study English Literature at Loyola College may have eluded him. His single minded devotion and focus on the language has surely landed him on the crucial place where he has to negotiate between conflicting nations. Besides, he has worked at Indian Audit and Accounts Service, immediately after he was post graduated from University of Madras, Chennai. Further, he has travelled over 60 countries and worked with 20 political organisations and leaders, since he was graduated from Loyola College in 1980. He has inspired millions of people with his drive to initiate and sustain a peace process and for his courage in working for people in Syria, Iraq, Iran, Kuwait and other conflict zones. For all these accomplishments and many more, Loyola Award for the year 2017 was presented to Mr. Raja Armugam, Member, International Civil Service and an illustrious alumnus of our College.





STUDENTS CORNER

*Don't Judge a Student by his/her Percentage,
Each one is unique.*



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இன்பம் துன்பம் கலந்த வாழ்வில் சகமனிதரின்
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ஈன்றபொழுதில் பெரிதுவப்பவள் தாய் ஈன்றவள்
இருக்கிறாள் அனாதை இல்லம் அவளுடைய
கன்று[மகன்] வைக்கிறான் அன்னை இல்லம்
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உலகத்தில் மாறாத ஒன்று மாற்றம் அதற்க்காக
மாமலைகள் கல்குவாரியாக, விவசாய நிலங்கள்
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ஊர்தோறும் கல்விநிலையங்கள் என்ற நிலைமாறி
தெருதோறும் அரசு டாஸ்மாக் சேவைபுரிகிறது
தொடர்கிறது நிஜத்தின் நிசப்தம்.....

எங்கெல்லாம் களவாட, பொருளீட்ட முடியுமோ
அங்கெல்லாம் நடக்கிறது
முதலாளித்துவம்.....தொடர்கிறது நிஜத்தின்
நிசப்தம்.....

ஏக்கம் கூடிய முகத்தோடு ஏற்றமிகு வாழ்விற்க்காக
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நிஜத்தின் நிசப்தத்தை கலைத்து

ஒளிமையமான எதிர்காலத்தை அமைத்திட
ஓயாது 'நாம்' என்னும் உணர்வோடு போராடி
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இஃதை கலைத்து நிஜவாழ்விற்க்குள்
நுழைய சப்தம் ஏற்போம்!!!!!!!

--சுவி.அபிராமசிவன்

நிஜத்தின் நிசப்தம்....

To MY DEAR DADDY

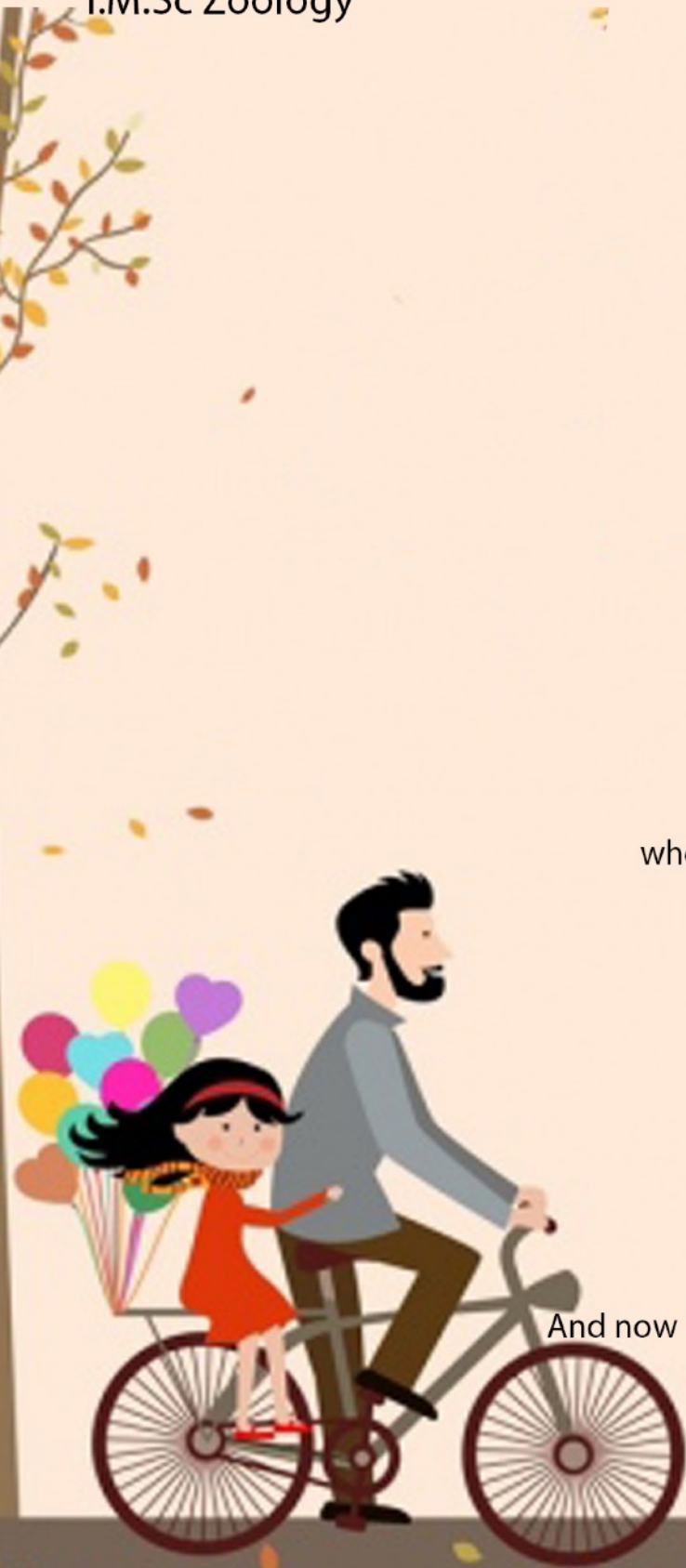
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Dear Daddy!
To the world..
By God,
As i am here now, being a blessing for you!

From the womb,
Your X chromosome ;
attired me with genes of a calibre
Within my hand into your clenched fist;
Gave me the ray of hope to survive
Your hands were my walls of strength;
When your feet led my crawls
to the path of light
I remember ,
The hurdles behind your every smile;
The starving days of ur struggles within
You are a traveller of the hindrances ;
To fulfill my needs and deeds
Physically you become tired with time ;
but your age displaces the work you do
Yes Im aware of your unspoken pains ;
when you ever showed me a sign of unfair means

At my falls of losing illness;
You patted me the power of willness
Weaving your sweats and
Sacrifice together;
You fabricated my dreams into reality...

The world calls your princess to face for,
And now it's time for me to fly , draped by your feathers within
To the uncrowned King of my life!



To let go

When life paved the road so challenging,
I touched my heart that was indomitably beating
Wondered what life lesson to choose from,
The many advises Amma gave to make life venturesome.
To forget all that makes your heart ding
And to forgive all those who made it sting
Let go, she once said
And I always did.

As a child, when I ranted about the toy my neighbour broke
Amma told me, it's okay to forgive him,
As it won't matter to me after some years

When I cried over the exams that I performed badly
She asked me to forget about it,
And said what's ahead will make this look silly.

When teenage gave me the first heartbreak of love
She asked me to let go of it,
Saying those would be stories of laughter in the future

When I behaved frantic and complained about life during my downfall
She told me to start afresh, and believe in the magic of new beginnings

And every time her advises came
I disregarded them calling it lame

As in the heat of the moment
It is difficult for the heart to mend.

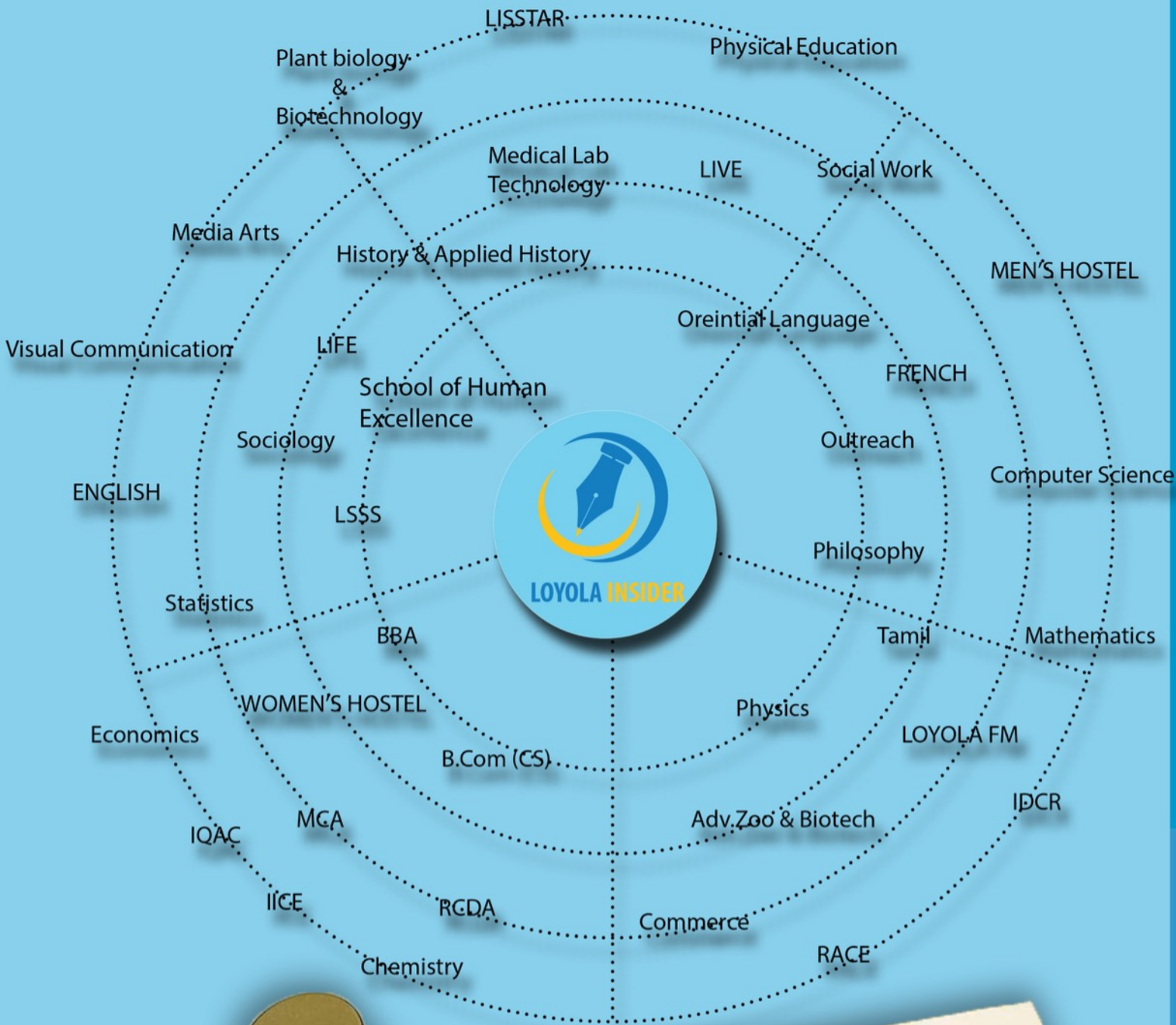
Years later,
Coming home in the evening,
Switching from the role of entrepreneur to the responsible mother
Holding my beloved's hands,
I smile at how my kids fight over their toys.

After all, Amma was right.



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