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National Workshop on Training of Trainers: Becoming Effective Teachers and Trainers

A **Two Day National Workshop on Training of Trainers: Becoming Effective Teachers and Trainers** was organized by Web Enhancement and Public Relations Office (WEPRO), Loyola College, Chennai – 600 034 on April 21 & 22, 2017. The main objective of the workshop was to train participants to become effective teachers and trainers employing updated modules and techniques, design and deliver teacher development programmes and excel and exceed expectations continuously. The four stages of the workshop are ideative, demonstrative, participative and performative.

Around 80 participants from Chennai City colleges like Ethiraj College, Queen Maris College, Pachaiappa's College, M.C.C., SRM, Sathiyabama University, Loyola College, LIBA, Chennai, St. Joseph's College, Arclines Consultancy Engineers, Holy Cross College, Trichy, Christ University, Bangalore, Maris Stella College, Vijayawada, Sri Krishna College of Technology, Coimbatore, R.M.K. Engineering College, SRC, Sastra University, Kumbakonam, Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Meenakshi College for Women, Madurai, C. Abdul Hakeam College, Aditanar College of Arts and Science, Trichendur, Auxilium College, Vellore, Loyola College, Thiruvananthapuram benefit from this programme.

The officials of the college - **Rev. Fr. A. M. Jayapathy Francis, S.J.**, Rector, **Rev. Dr. S. Lazar, S.J.**, Secretary & Correspondent, **Dr. Fatima Vasanth**, Deputy Principal, Loyola College, Chennai inaugurated the workshop highlighting the role of teachers in the society and the need for achieving excellence in teaching profession. Further, they appealed to all the participants to bring in the element of training into teaching so that the students turn out to be knowledgeable, positive thinking and skillful.

Rev. Dr. Francis M. Peter, S.J., XLRI, Jamshedpur, ELT Expert, Trainers' Trainers, **Dr. K. S. Antonysamy**, Teacher Trainer, **Dr. K. Elango**, Teacher Trainer, Chennai, National secretary, EITAI, **Mr. Martin Robert**, Training Consultant, Transfigure, Chennai. **Dr. S. Thiruvenkataswami**, Professor and Head, English Department, SSN Engineering College, Chennai and **Dr. Eric Miller**, Director, World Story Telling Institute, Chennai acted as resource persons. Eric Miller's session on "Story Telling as a Pedagogical Tool" was tailor-made to suit the expectations of participants from different disciplines. For instance, he illustrated how the story of H₂O may be narrated to enthuse the interest and involvement of science students. Even stories of plants, animals from various points of view may be undertaken.

As a concrete move towards participatory approach in the workshop, a few of the participants - **Dr. John Love Joy**, Assistant Professor, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Trichy. **Prof. Edward Felix**, Assistant Professor, Christ University, Bengaluru. **Dr. Parvatha Varthini** - Assistant Professor of English, Aditanar College of Arts and Science. **Prof. Supriya Sam**, Assistant Professor, Loyola College, **Dr. Suba Priya**, Assistant Professor, Pachappas College, Chennai were involved in one of the sessions named "Lightning Talk" to share representative opinions on "Effective Training and Training".

Under the guidance of **Rev. Dr. M. Arockiasamy Xavier**, S.J., Principal, Loyola College, **Dr. K.S. Antonysamy**, Director, WEPRO, Loyola College, a teacher trainer himself organized the programme to expose the participants to stand out training modules.