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Message from the Chairman



It is a pleasure and an honour to be involved in the celebrations of alumnae of JBAS College getting together. All said and done and no matter in which part of the world we habitate the fact that we all have spent in this institution (SIET) several years cannot be erased from our memory. Since our basic fundamentals imparted to us in decades at the JBAS College - SIET will remain eternal, we today, join together to rejoice our past and hope that we will have several such get together in the future. I greatly appreciate this opportunity to be with all the alumnae and hope they will also help the institution to achieve further excellence, despite all

odds. It is with great pride and pleasure I felicitate all students who have enrolled in sports of any kind and who are with us today.

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Ms. Bader Sayeed Chairman, S.1.E.T.

Message from the Convenor

I deem it a pleasure to welcome dear Alumnae to the Alumnae Reunion 2024, happening every year in the incredible journey of Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women. The College in its march of Excellence has accomplished yet another milestone in obtaining the ISO Certificate 9001:2015 confirming to the standards of Quality Management System. I am happy to state that I am a privileged Alumna of this esteemed Institution and the first Principal & Correspondent with the blessings and benevolence of Almighty Allah. It is an exciting moment to



connect with old friends and reunite with the Alma mater. I on behalf of the Institution value the bond you share and recognize your contribution to our legacy. Your experience, expertise and network are invaluable assets to our current students and to our community. We shall continue the journey of inspiration for the generations to come. As the years pass we start to gain more and more of Alumnae and we wish you to inspire the future generations as women leaders.

I urge all the Alumnae to share your stories, rekindle the fabulous years of fun and learning and volunteer to support our initiatives and ventures. Together, let us join hands to realize the vision of our Founder, (Late) Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed Sahib, which is equipping Women with knowledge and skills to transmute their achievements to the betterment of society.

My warm appreciation to the Sports achievers of the past decades and I sincerely thank the organizing team of the Alumnae Association for the tireless and sincere efforts rendered towards organizing the Alumnae Reunion on the theme "Bridging Generations - Legacy of Excellence". Let us be "THE FORCE WE WANT TO BE".

May the blessings of Almighty Allah be showered upon all.

Dr. Amthul Azeez Principal & Correspondent

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Highlights of the College



Received the Award for Friendly Disposal of E-Waste from Victory Recovery & Recycle Technologies (TNPCB) on the 28th of October 2023.



The College received the Catalyst of Change Award 2023 in recognition of student volunteer service.

On the Internship Day our College was presented with the Certificate of Appreciation for securing All India Rank 48 among 1100+ college by Intershala.



RO PLANT INSTALLATION



The College installed a Commercial Grade 1000 LPH Reverse Osmosis Plant on the 30th of September, 2023 to cater to the need of drinking

water for the students/staff at the premises. The RO plant is installed in the terrace of the main block and from there treated water is out for use through already existing pipelines in each floor of the main block.

The Star College Programme, initiated by the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) in 2008, aims to enhance science teaching at colleges and universities



across India by providing support for academic and laboratory infrastructure. The college embarked on



this journey in 2014, with five science departments - Physics, Chemistry, Plant Biology & Plant Biotechnology, Zoology, and Biochemistry receiving Star College grants in 2015. The grants were used to

purchase equipment, enhance laboratory infrastructure, and introduce new practical and group projects at the undergraduate level, and also the introduction of innovative projects like Biodegradable Sanitary Napkins and Tissue Culture of Endangered Species, resulting in the award of Star Status to the participating departments with a total grant of ₹1.59 crores, in November 2022.



The College Founder's granddaughter, Dr. Sarah Danial, Canada, delivered a special lecture on the 26th of December 2023.

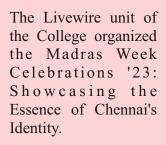


The College Founder's grandson, Dr. Basheer Ahmed Shakir, Atlanta, USA, delivered a special lecture on the 18th of November, 2023.

College in News



10th National Handloom Day was Commemorated by the College on the 7th of August 2023.







JBAS Alumnae Funfest was organized on the 19th of August 2023.

A Medical Health Camp was organized by the Alumnae Association of JBAS College for Women on the 16th of December 2023





Ms. Aashiqua Fathima, alumna, Department of Zoology (Class of 2023), participated in the speech competition titled "Enakkul Bharathi" and secured the 1st prize with Rs. 2500 cash reward and certificate by he *Vanavil Panpattu Maiyam* in association with Sri Krishna Sweets on the 18th of July 2024.

Faculty Alumnae Achievers



Dr. Amthul Azeez, Principal and Correspondent, Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women, alumna, Department of Zoology (Class of 1992) was awarded:

Inspirational Educator Award, by Carmel CMI School, Shoranur on the 23rd of November,2023.





Head of Institution Special Jury Award, by Association of Muslim Professionals in the academic year 2023.

Award of Excellence by Tamil Nadu Open University on the 9th of February, 2024.





Dr. D.A.Shahira Banu, Vice-Principal and Associate Professor, alumna, Department of Botany (Class of 1989), was elected as a Member of the Academic Council, University of Madras, as a Teacher of the Affiliated Colleges.

Dr. Beema Jainab S.I., alumna and Associate Professor of Botany (Class of 1991), was honoured with the Outstanding Educator Award, LOSD Excellence Awards 2023 London, on the 3rd of December, 2023.





Dr. Asif Jamal G.A., alumna and Associate Professor of Botany (Class of 2000), participated in the Guinness World Record event.

The Thickest book unpublished is 5.80 m (19 ft 0.34 in.) and was achieved by ESN Publication (India) and London Organization of

Skills Development Ltd UK in Chennai Tamil Nadu, India, on 25^{th} July 2023.



Dr. C.M.Noorjahan, alumna and Assistant Professor of Zoology (Class of 1995), received the International Academic Award 2022 by the International Research Association on the 21st of March, 2023.

Dr. Ghousia Nisha, alumna and Assistant Professor of Zoology (Class of 1996), was awarded the Best Teaching and Research Excellence Award by SK Research Group of Companies on the 5th of September, 2023.





Mrs. Fathima Azher, alumna and Head, Department of Mathematics (Class of 1993), was awarded the National Award for Excellence in Education 2023 by the Association of Muslim Professionals.

Dr. P. S. Azeezunnisha, alumna and Associate Professor of Mathematics (Class of 2002), was awarded with the Teacher's Appreciation Certificate on the 5th of September 2023, by the Association of Muslim Professionals.





Dr. Mallika Begum, alumna and Associate Professor of History (Class of 1998), received the Aasiriyar Semmal Award from the Tamil Nadu State Education Research and Development Centre on the 5th of September, 2023.

Mrs. H. Jasmin, alumna and Associate Professor of Electronics and Communication Science (Class of 2002), received the Lifetime Achievement Award for Education by SS-Hills Research Publication Corporation.





Dr. S.M. Jasima Parveen, alumna and Assistant Professor of Commerce (Class of 2011), was honoured with the Social Service and Leadership Award on the International Women's Day 2024.

Alumnae as Guest Speakers



Ms. Sreedurga Somasundaram, alumna, Department of Physics (Class of 2006), Development Manager of Rajasthan Satellite Fields at Cairn Oil and Gas, Vedanta Ltd., was the chief guest for the Quantum Club's Investiture Ceremony, held on 28th

August, 2023.

Mrs. Priya Sandeep, alumna, Department of Mathematics (Class of 2001), Co-founder and Head of Accounts, One Glance Software Services Private Limited, Chennai, was invited for "Numerica 2023-2024"



Mrs. Fathima Tabrez, alumna, Department of Mathematics (Class of 2017), Teaching cum Research Assistant, VIT University, Chennai Campus, was invited for "Numerica 2023-2024" on 6th

October, 2023.

Mrs. Zahina Fathima, alumna, Department of Mathematics (Class 2011), Research Scholar, Madras Christian College, Chennai, was invited



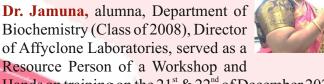
for "Numerica 2023-2024" on 6th October, 2023.

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Dr. Sakeena Sadullah M S, alumna, Department of Biochemistry (Class of 2008), Data Analyst, Paper Mill Group, Perfect Digital Media Resources Pvt Ltd., served as a Guest

Speaker for the Inauguration of Biochemistry Association-Biospectrum 2023.



Hands on training on the 21st & 22nd of December 2023.



Ms. Poornima B, alumna, Department of Commerce (Class of 2024), was invited as a Guest speaker for the Orientation Programme on CMA.

Alumnae Sports Achievers



Dr. Asiya Khilji, alumna, Department of Commerce (Class of 2022), held the State Junior Record for a long time as a gold medalist. She clinched the gold medal in 2023, subsequently bagging the South Zone gold medal and the prestigious Shot Award at the National Tournament. One of her most notable achievements was

winning a team gold and an individual bronze at the National Games 2015, held in Thrissur. She also secured a team bronze in the doubles trial at the National Games. In 2013, she participated in the Singapore Open Tournament and ranked in the top 10. Throughout her shooting career, she has remained dedicated and has won numerous accolades.

Ms. Sakthi Bala, alumna, Department of Mathematics (Class of 2013), currently a Technician-II at South Eastern Railway in Kolkata, has secured the 3rd place and a bronze medal at the 63rd Senior National Volleyball Championship in



Chennai and again at the 35th National Games in Kozhikode. Her team clinched the 1st place and a gold medal at the All India University Volleyball Championship 2013-14, held at SRM University in Chennai.



Ms. Ambika, Alumna, Department of Commerce, (Class of 2019), Ball Badminton player. Participated in Zone, Inter Zone and state level competitions.

Ms. Meenakshi & Ms. Monika, alumnae, Department of Economics (Class of 2021 & 2022), secured 3rd place in the State Meet for Kho-Kho.



Ms. S. Swetha, alumna, Department of Economics (Class of 2021), excelled in swimming, securing 2nd place in the Inter-Zone competition held at Anna Swimming Pool for the 200m and 400m events. She also secured 2nd place in the 50m Breaststroke and 100m

Breaststroke events at JBAS College.

Ms. Ponsowbagyaa, alumna, Department of Home Science (Class of 2017) is actively playing for the Kancheepuram District Cricket Association Team. She was part of the All-India Inter University Team in 2016-2017. Her college cricket career spanned from 2010 to 2017, during



which she captained the team for two years. Her scoring experience began in 2019 as a qualified TNCA scorer, and she was involved in prestigious events like the 2024 India Women's vs South Africa Women's match, the Tamil Nadu Premier League, the Veteran World Cup (Over 60s), and the Buchi Babu Tournament. Furthermore, she is as an assistant cricket coach at White Shadows Cricket School in Mugalivakkam since 2018.



Ms.Trishala, alumna, Department of Commerce (Class of 2023), Athlete, State medalist in 100M,200M and Long jump. She has represented state in Junior and Senior Nationals.

Ms. Sneha Ramu, alumna, Department of Microbiology (Class of 2019), winner of Paralympics 2021, Brazil. She is currently pursuing research on the intricate mechanism of immune surveillance during metastasis. Her aim is to gain hands on experience on cancer



immunological diagnostics early-phase clinical trials for anti-cancer therapies.



Ms. Preethi. V, alumna, Department of Corporate Economics (Class of 2020), and an international Silambam player, has won first prize in an international competition organized by Nepal's Youth Games Federation of India. She has also marked her name in the "Asia Book of

Records" by performing Silambam continuously for 20 hours and created a record in the "Wonder Book of Records." Currently, she is a state referee in the Silambam Youth Sports Association.

Ms. Aasha Devi. V, alumna, Department of Home Science, Interior Design and Decor (AN Session), (Class of 2023) is a National Level tennis player. She has participated in both the Junior Level and in the Women's category and was in the top 500 in India



at the Junior Level. She has also participated in one Junior Level International tournament which was held in Chennai. She's a member of the All India Tennis Association.



Ms. Gagini, alumna of the Department of Commerce (Hons) (Class of 2024), played for TNCA Women's Seniors Chengalpattu district team in Cricket. She was the Top 7th wicket taker of the tournament.

Ms. Prathusha, alumna, Department of Commerce (Class of 2023), is a state-level athlete, who has achieved notable success by winning a bronze medal in the half marathon at Madras University. Additionally, she secured a gold medal in the A-Zone Madras



University meet, followed by two more gold medals in the same competition during the next year.



Ms. Janani Murali, alumna, Department of Corporate Secretaryship (Class of 2013), playing over 300 matches across India and the United States, with the honour of captaining 15 times. She earned Gold and Silver medals in the 2004-

2005 mini Nationals. In 2010, she secured a Silver medal in the Youth Nationals, a Bronze medal in the 2012-2013 South Zone Inter University and a Gold medal in the All India Inter University, making history as the first University of Madras captain in 38 years to secure a Gold. She represented the Inter Railways Championship and has won three Gold medals in All India National Open tournaments.

Ms. Sonawane Utkarsha Darma, alumna, Department of Mathematics (Class of 2018), has an impressive record of achievements in Volleyball including the All India Volleyball Tournament at Thiruchengode and Odisha, the Volleys Trophy State Level Tournament, and in State Level



competitions held at Coimbatore, Thiruvarur (Annoma Trophy), and Maraimalai Nagar. She has also won in the Zone College Tournament, the Senior Championship at Tirunelveli. She also won laurels at the Dr. Sivanthi Club Volleyball Competition in Egmore.



Ms. Anitha, alumna, Department of Commerce (Class of 2016), is an experienced Fifth Degree Black Belt Karate instructor. A member of key Governing Bodies. She is a recipient of multiple awards, including the Thiruvallur District Champion (2014-2023) and Bronze in Kumite at the Tamil Nadu State Championship

(2016-2023),excellence.

demonstrating her commitment to

Hall of Fame

Department of English



Ms. Jaya Asmitha, alumna, Department of English (FN) (Class of 2024), received the Singappen Award on the 23rd of June, 2023.

Ms. Najeeba Kouser Dadni, alumna, Department of English (FN) (Class of 2024), received an award from the Tamil Nadu State Urdu Academy -2nd Place in Urdu Essay Competition.





Ms. Rukaiya Chhapiwala, alumna, Department of English (Class of 2023), was honoured with Emily Dickinson Award for her poetry by the Blue Cloud Publishers.

Department of Mathematics



Ms. Sheeba Pradeep, alumna, Department of Mathematics (Class of 2007), Entrepreneur, UAE, received the Excellence in Fashion and Boutique Award, by AZUBHA on the 17th of August 2024.

Department of Botany

Ms. Nithya .V, alumna, Department of Botany (Class of 2022), received the Best Speaker Award during the International Conference on Media Metamorphosis 2024, held on the 22nd February to 23rd February 2024.



Department of Zoology



Ms. Ashiqua Fathima, alumna, Department of Zoology (Class of 2023), received the Tamizh Mannakar Award on the 11th of February, 2024, for her oratorical skill.

Alumnae Achievers (Forenoon Session)

Department of Chemistry



Mrs. Ambikavathy Thiagarajah, alumna, Department of Chemistry (Class of 1970), is currently the Head of Science -Real International School, Member of R.E.A.L. Education group, Malaysia.

Dr. Athiya Agarwal, alumna, Department of Chemistry (Class of 1975), Ophthalmic Surgeon, Director and Consultant, Anterior Segment Diseases, Dr.Agarwal's Eye Hospital, Chennai. Secretary General, Eye Research Centre, Chennai.



Dr.Ahmed Kabir Refaya, alumna, Department of Chemistry (Class of 1998), Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Immunology, National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis.

Dr. T. Revathi, alumna, Department of Chemistry (Class of 2007), is the Project Officer at the Centre for Advanced Concrete Research (CACR), SRM IST, Kattankulathur.





Ms. A. Thaslema Banu, alumna, Department of Chemistry (Class of 2012), serves as the Assistant Inspector, Local Fund Audit Department, Directorate, Chennai.

Dr. Kalaivani Dayanidhi (Ph.D), alumna, Department of Chemistry (Class of 2014), serves as the Director & Chief Financial Officer, Linear Productions Private Limited, Chennai.





Dr. P. Vinitha, alumna, Department of Chemistry (Class of 2015), is a Senior Lecturer at the Centre for Global Health Research, Saveetha Medical College & Hospitals, Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences.

Department of Biochemistry

Dr. Preethi Ragunathan, alumna, Department of Biochemistry (Class of 2005), serves as an Assistant Professor at the Centre of Advanced Study in Crystallography and Biophysics, University of Madras.



Department of Zoology

Ms. Sharanyaa Ganesan, alumna, Department of Zoology (Class of 2008), a top-ranked Biotechnology graduate from the University of Madras, transitioned from a successful



career in brand management to founding the "Sruthi School of Arts" in Fremont, California, where she passionately teaches Bharatanatyam and has successfully guided students through significant milestones like Salangai Poojas and Arangetrams.

Department of Home Science

Ms. Christina T. Dorthy, alumna, Home Science (Class of 2005), worked in the NGO sector for 13 ½ years, contributing to Grassroots organizations and international NGOs in the field of HIV/AIDS, women, and children. She is



currently serving as Assistant Director – Nutritious Meal Programme, Commissionerate of Social Welfare, Chennai.



Ms. Shamma Afra .M, alumna, Department of Home Science (Nutrition and Dietetics) (Class of 2019), holds a Masters in Human Nutrition from the University of Sheffield, where she researched the ketogenic diet's impact on

Glioblastoma Multiforme. Her career began as a Health and Wellbeing Coach, before transitioning to a Speech and Language/Dietetic Assistant, focusing on neuro care. Currently, she is a Dietetic Assistant in London.

Department of English

Mrs. Adelaine Christopher, alumna, Department of English (Class of 1982) received The Best Teacher Award by the Sugandham Foundation in appreciation of her 31 years of commitment in the field of teaching.





Ms. Sankalpa Shankar, alumna, Department of English (Class of 2020), enrolled as a Lawyer in November 2023.

Department of History



Ms. Shereen Sulthana, alumna, Department of History (Class of 2011), serves as an Assistant Public Prosecutor at Judicial Magistrate Court No. 5, Coimbatore.

Ms. Sharmila Rajendran, alumna, Department of History (Class of 2017), practices as an advocate in Madras High Court.



Ms. Preethika, alumna, Department of History (Class of 2018), serves as the Sub – Inspector of Police, Thiruvarur District, Tamil Nadu.





Ms. Meha Jabeen, alumna, Department of History, (Class of 2021), serves as a Counsellor in Edwise International Overseas Education.

Alumnae Achievers (Afternoon Session)

Department of Commerce



Ms. Nndhini Rathinam, alumna, Department of Commerce (Accounting and Finance) (Class of 2024), undertook the dubbing role for the character of a heroine in a short film named "ANBIL AVAL" which was streamed by "INDIAGLITZ".

Ms. Sreenidhi .S, alumna, Department of Commerce (Class of 2021), serves as an Advocate in the Bar Council of Tamilnadu and Puducherry.



Department of Home Science

Ms. Nasbina Syed, alumna, Department of Home Science (Interior Design and Decor), (Class of 2017), was awarded the title of Miss Madarase 2021. As Miss Madarase 2021, she had the privilege of judging over ten ramp shows, highlighting her



expertise in the fashion industry. Her modeling career includes prominent platforms such as Ajio and Myntra, and she currently specializes in hijab and abaya modeling. She is also the brand ambassador for Cloak Couture and Afra Boutique, two renowned names in the hijab fashion world.

Department of Electronics and Communication Science



Creative Expressions

If I were

From hesitating to text and get our doubts cleared, To chatting rubbish till we see the night's rear. From thinking, 'I' were simply just complex, To knowing that 'I' am loved even then.

"Nostalgia is a tough pill", they said. It indeed is and I know that if I ever may, I would give everything to even relive The classes when my phone went, "ding".

I came to this Place, With the plans of getting real. But, a few lessons I learnt, Made me believe that it's okay to be unreal.

Started as new faces, benchmates and bitmates. Sharing food, lipstick, gossip and answers. Caring for each other like we are sisters. Parted as a family that was always an overdue.

Ms. Thoufia Aafreen N

Department of Mathematics (FN) (Class of 2023)

The Golden hour

There she is lost afresh!

Twisted Curles Dancing to the tune of the breeze, while the maestro steering symphony of curls, Mesmerizing cosmic canvas, the Golden hour, About to paint vibrant twists to her tales Gaze mending with the celestial pallette, Flung her fuss amidst Divine hues, Captivated by Enthralled Horizon.

Radiance merged to oneness.

The curtain falls, but she stands still, Engulfed and immersed!

When LJFE happens ...

Highs and lows
With the howls of the heart!
Twists and turns,
a flowery path made of thorns ...
Rights and wrongs,
by the judgemental thrones!
An innocent heart just
got into the battle.
Once an active mind,
often getting zoned out in confusion.
Just introduced into this big race,
with a feeling of running out of time.
Heart stronger and firm now,
with taunts, ready for the battle.

Ms. R. Kirubashini

Department of Biochemistry (FN) (Class of 2024)

In the Darkness, I found a Light

Teachers, teachers, burning bright, Spreading in darkness your guiding light, What immortal hands crafted you? In every leaf, you leave your dew.

And what knowledge, what art Could twist the sinews of my heart? Your might recovers every tear, Your passion reassures every fear.

What an encouragement, what a chain, In what furnace was thy brain forged again?

In every lesson taught, every story told, You weave the threads of young and old, Planting seeds of wisdom deep, In minds that wander, in souls that seek.

From the roots of ancient lore
To the wings that let us soar,
You are the bridge from past to now,
Guiding us to learn, to know how.

With patience, like the steady tide, You carry us, you are our guide, Through tempests fierce and winds so strong, You show us where we truly belong.

And as I stand here, once your student, now a peer, I thank you for every word, every cheer, For shaping me into who I am today, For lighting my path, for showing the way.

So on this Teacher's Day, I say with pride, Thank you for standing by our side, For being the compass, the light, the star, Guiding us, no matter how far.

May your wisdom continue to shine bright, In every student, a spark to ignite, For you are the masters of this vast, endless sea, And I am forever grateful for what you've given me

> Ms. Sabha Sadullah Department of English (FN) (Class of 2023)

پری زاد مکمل غزل سنا ہے جہاں برف پڑتی ہے اس گاؤں کی کچی گلیوں میں سِرشام اندھیرے اتر آتے ہیں ہم برف سے کوئی راستہ نکالیں گے من کے جگنو جل لیں گے

میرے پیروں میں پڑی یہ سب پگڈنڈیاں اک برف پوش چوٹی کو جاتی ہیں جہاں سورج بھی دھوپ سیکنے کو آتا ہے ہم وہیں اپنا مکان بنا لیں گے اور من کے جگنو جل لیں گے

کبھی راستے کٹھن اور منزلیں سراب ہیں ابھی میری راہوں میں جانے کتنے سہراب، کتنے جنگل آباد ہیں ہم انہی جنگلوں کو دوست بنا لیں گے اور من کے جگنو جل لیں گے

اس گاؤں میں میرا پرانا کچا سکول ہے جس کی دیواروں پہ آج بھی نام لکھا ہے چلو اک بار پھر برف سے ان سبھی تختیوں کو دھو ڈالیں گے اور سکول سے پرے ڈھلتی شام میں ہم من کے جگنو جل لیں گے

ور سنو گر تم دوبارہ یہاں سے گزرو راستے سے کچھ خواب لے آنا پھر ہم اپنے بستوں سے اک نئی تعبیر نکالیں گے اور سب مل کر من کے جگنو جل لیں گے

Ms. Aysha Thabasum SK Department of Chemistry (FN) (Class of 2020)

அன்பு ஆசிரியருக்கு !!!

வெற்று காகிதங்களாக திரிந்தோம் ஏதம் அறியாமல் ஒரு ஒவியர் கையில் சிக்கினோம் அவ் ஒவியர் !!! வரை படமாக கல்வி அறிவை வரைந்து நல்லொழுக்கம் என்னும் வண்ணங்கள் தீட்டி அழகோவியமாக திகழ்கிறோம் ... எங்களை அழகோவியமாக திகழ வைத்த ஒவியர்கள் என்னும் எங்கள் ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு எங்கள் அன்பு நன்றிகள் ...

Ms. M. Charumathi
Department of Physics (AN)
(Class of 2022)

From Seed to Star: The Remarkable Journey of a Resilient Woman

In a world where life's uncertainties can often seem overwhelming, the story of one woman's journey from a simple beginning to becoming a beacon of resilience and strength is nothing short of inspiring.

Early Life and Beginnings

Born into a family that embodied the unity of interreligious marriage, she experienced the beauty of diversity and love from an early age. Her childhood was spent in a happy, nuclear family, where she grew up as an average student, content and curious about the world around her. She pursued a career in teaching, starting as a lecturer, and found immense joy in imparting knowledge to others.

Love and Loss

Life took an unexpected turn when she married a man deeply loved by all who knew him. Although not highly educated, he was a kind-hearted soul who brought happiness into her life. Tragically, their time together was cut short when he died in an accident, leaving her alone with their baby. Despite this devastating loss, she found the strength to keep going, motivated by the need to provide for her child.

Facing Challenges and Building Resilience

Her parents, hoping to see her settled again, arranged another marriage for her. Unfortunately, this relationship also ended in heartbreak, as her new partner left her with another child and divorced her. Undeterred, she focused on her studies, pursuing a Ph.D. and excelling in her teaching career. Her dedication and hard work paid off, and she became a respected figure in her profession.

Enduring Family Betrayal and Personal Struggles

However, her journey was far from easy. The death of her father due to illness left her without his support, and she soon faced mistreatment from her sister and mother, leading to a period of deep depression. Despite the emotional abuse and character assassination attempts from her mother, she fought back with unwavering determination. Her friends became her pillars of support, helping her navigate through the darkest times.

Rising Above Adversity

In a shocking betrayal, her mother sold her home without her knowledge, leaving her in a precarious situation as the house went up for auction. Yet, she did not let this break her spirit. She moved to a new home with her children, determined to rebuild her life. Channeling her experiences into creative outlets, she began writing poems and articles for newsletters, sharing her story of resilience and hope with others.

A Beacon of Strength and Inspiration

Her achievements as a single woman are a testament to her indomitable spirit. From the seed of a happy childhood to the star of a woman who overcame countless adversities, her journey is a powerful narrative of endurance, strength, and the unbreakable human spirit. She has become a symbol of hope for many, demonstrating that no matter how tough life gets, it is possible to rise above challenges and create a meaningful, fulfilling life.

Her story is a reminder that resilience is not about avoiding difficulties but about facing them head-on and emerging stronger. Through her struggles and triumphs, she has shown that the true measure of success lies in the ability to keep moving forward, regardless of the obstacles.

Dr. N. Nazini
Department of Computer Science (AN)
(Class of 2002)

You and me and the sky above

When the sky looks pale — the kind of pale that you get after mixing a lot of white into blue, is my favourite time of the evening. You ask me why? That's simply because that's the only time I get to see your silhouette caressed by the sinking light, ever so gently, unhurried, it looks like a dull halo around you. You wouldn't know, but even your shadow looks beautiful.

So, on an evening like this, I'm perfectly content just sitting by your side and swinging our legs to the tunes of the breeze, as we both try to add colours to our lives—after all a life is best lived when it's colourful right? So, we keep adding colours, like painters with a blank canvas in front of them; messy strokes until the colours become too much and everything fades into black.

Ms. Varsha Aruthprabha
Department of Business Administration (AN)
(Class of 2020)

Homesick poet

In shadows cast by years of ache, A poet roamed, for warmth's sweet sake, With heavy heart and restless pen, In search of solace, now and then.

For seven hundred thirty days, I wandered through a foggy maze, A puzzle piece, just out of place, In mirrors cracked, I sought a face.

I changed my shape, I tried anew, But voids would swallow what I drew, Each friendly smile, a fleeting spark— An echo whispered in the dark.

I longed to weave my soul with one, To find a home where I'd belong, But hope, it slipped like grains of sand, A distant dream, a fragile strand.

Yet one fair night, beneath the stars, A gentle light dissolved my scars, A warmth, a laughter, tender, sweet, In that small haven, life felt complete.

A midnight summer, dreams unfurled, A tapestry of love, it swirled, Though my stay was brief, I cherished deep, Those moments wrapped in joy, not sleep.

Now time and distance weave their thread, That sacred place, where kindness spread, Too far to visit, yet never gone, In every verse, it lingers on.

Forever grateful, heart imbued, In memories soft, I'll find my muse, A cherished home, though miles away, In whispered dreams, you'll always stay.

Ms. Nazeefa
Department of Commerce (AN)
(Class of 2018)



Ms. Haadiya
Department of Mathematics
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Ms. V. S. Sree Sakthi
Department of Economics
(Class of 2023)

Alumnae Contribution

JBAS Alumnae, Class of 1997, proudly celebrated their 25th anniversary—marking their Silver Jubilee—on the 19th of August, 2023. The joyous occasion was filled with nostalgia and camaraderie as former students reunited to reflect on their cherished memories at the college. To commemorate this special milestone, the alumnae generously gifted the college a state-of-the-art 55" Cornea interactive panel, a gesture of gratitude and a commitment to enhancing the learning environment for future generations.



Bidding Adieu

As I conclude my career at JBAS (S.I.E.T) where I have had the privilege of working from 1987 to October 2023, I wanted to take a moment to reflect and express my gratitude.

Over the past 37 years, I've had the honor of guiding and interacting with countless students, witnessing their growth and achievements. I am deeply thankful for the opportunity to impact so many lives and to have been part of their educational journey.



Reflecting on my time here, I cherish all the memories and experiences that have shaped my career. The moments of connection with students and the support from wonderful mentors and colleagues have been invaluable. I look back with nostalgia and fondness, grateful for the chance to contribute to such a vibrant and dynamic community.

As I step into retirement, I carry with me a wealth of cherished moments and the satisfaction of a fulfilling career. I hope that our paths will cross again and that we can reminisce about the good times we shared.

Thank you to everyone who has been a part of this journey. It has been a remarkable experience, and I am thankful for the support and collaboration of the management, my colleagues and the enthusiasm of our students.

May you all continue to thrive and find joy in your endeavours.

Warmest regards,

Dr. S. Bhooma Retd. Head, Department of Commerce



I began my academic journey at SIET College in the Department of Home Science in 1984. Those three formative years were a profoundly significant period in my life. By the grace of the Almighty, I was fortunate to be granted the opportunity to join my esteemed alma mater as a lecturer, where I devoted nearly three decades, embracing the institution as my second home. My career, characterized by an unwavering passion for teaching, was immensely fulfilling. As a student-friendly educator, I had the privilege of accompanying students on excursions for an uninterrupted span of 14 years.

In addition, I had the honour of overseeing the Nursery School for approximately 21 years and served as one of the Joint Secretaries of the Alumnae Association. My tenure at JBAS brought me exceptional satisfaction. I extend my profound gratitude and wholeheartedly acknowledge the instrumental role my alma mater has played throughout my career. It has bestowed upon me a true sense of identity and has significantly contributed to my success.

Dr. Mahjabeen

Associate Professor, Department of Home Science,



I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to my College, a true temple of learning, for offering me numerous opportunities to engage with other institutions in roles such as a member of the Board of Studies, Academic Auditor, Scrutiny Committee Member for Examinations, Subject Expert in Staff Recruitment, Resource Person for Seminars and Conferences, Doctoral Committee Member, Chairperson for Paper Presentations, and External Examiner for B.Sc. and M.Sc. Psychology practical, internships, dissertations, and viva voce. These experiences allowed me to explore, strengthen my abilities, and shape my career.

In 2017, I was honoured with the State-level "Excellence in Teaching" award by the Madras Library Association for my contributions to education. Throughout my journey of lifelong learning at the college, I have kept current with the latest teaching strategies and technologies, mastering subject-specific pedagogy through the diverse resources available at this college. I have also had the privilege of guiding several M.Sc. students, nine M.Phil. students, and five Ph.D. candidates during my career.

The challenges of the evolving educational landscape and the joy of witnessing students experience those "aha" learning moments continue to inspire me. I am deeply passionate about building meaningful relationships with students, fostering their confidence, and empowering them to grow as learners. I encourage both students and staff to take full advantage of the opportunities available here, live life to the fullest, and prepare to face the challenges of the world outside, making their dreams a reality.

Dr. T. Mythili



Reminiscences of an SIETIAN: It all began in 1979, when I was not even 16, and my entry into the portals of the newly formed SIET Matriculation Higher Secondary School in Teynampet was serendipitous. That year marked a significant transition in the education system of Tamil Nadu, as the Pre-University Course (PUC) gave way to the two-year Higher Secondary Course. Previously, the PUC had been part of the college section, but this change meant students would now spend two additional years in school. SIET College had an exclusive PUC block that was later converted into a Higher Secondary School for girls, named in honor of Begum Fathima Akhtar Saheba, the beloved

wife of the College's Founder, Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed.

I joined this newly formed school, and the two years I spent there were incredibly enriching, shaping the trajectory of my academic and personal life. These formative years set the stage for my journey through SIET/JBAS College, where I pursued my undergraduate and postgraduate degrees in English, on the same campus. Though I had overcome my shyness and introverted nature, I had no idea at the time that I would return to the institution to build a career. After completing my M.A. in 1986, I embarked on a career in 1996 that spanned nearly three decades. From 1996 to 2023, I served in the Department of English, eventually retiring as an Associate Professor. During these years, I was overwhelmed by the love and affection of students and colleagues alike.

I often reflect on my unique relationship with the institution, as I can proudly call myself an alumna of SIET three times over — first as a student in the Higher Secondary School, then as an undergraduate and postgraduate student in the Department of English, and finally as a faculty member for nearly 30 years. My connection with this institution has been deep and enduring, and it has played an integral role in shaping both my personal and professional life.

Dr. Smitha Narayanan Associate Professor, Department of English

Memories Renewed ...

The next best thing to the enjoyment of good time is the recollection of it. I am happy to recollect those 29 long years of good time that I had in this benevolent institution. I joined the Evening shift of JBAS in 1995, the year when English Literature course was introduced. The Evening shift being in its infant stage, all the staff of Science and Humanities were seated under one roof. We were one family with one business of teaching and being together. As the strength of the evening college teachers grew in number, we were asked to sit department wise, and the library became



our rendezvous. It was undoubtedly the 'coffee house of the Queen Anne's period'. This special cell equipped us well and enriched our minds. In the autonomous set up with added responsibilities and the demand for developing additional skills, balancing College and social life did happen in the corridors, in the play ground where the staff matches would be held and in the shade of one particular tree located in front of the Tamil Department. Those interludes were the elixir to the malady caused by the monotonous routine. The intersecting spot connecting most of the Departments of humanities was the customary territory that stimulated our intellectual curiosity.

I grew between the traditional curriculum and the flexible curriculum and rejoiced over the success and accomplishments of the institution like autonomy, the NAAC accreditation for four cycles and its covetous attainment of A++, NIRF ranking, CPE status and the Star College status.

Charisma (The Magic of being young) and other cultural events have created lasting memories in me. It was joyful to see students rehearsing dances, plays and music performances, preparing costumes, decorating the stage, and drawing Rangoli art in front of the auditorium. It was a secret pleasure to see the anxiety in the faces when those participants approached me for permission to stay away from classes. The days of cultural event were associated with vibrant colours, styles, deigns, trends, and fashion. The youth energy was so infectious that it would rejuvenate the entire campus till the next such event was scheduled. It is a mix of emotion where I feel the sense of nostalgia for classrooms known for interaction, the joy of teaching and the academic environment especially in the PG classrooms.

Though there is a sense of fulfilment and accomplishment, I feel that I am alienated from my habitat that I was used to for three decades. The alienation from this JBAS family has caused homesickness and I find sublimation in recollecting the fond memories with a sense of contentment. What is recounted in this page is snippets collected at random. Had I been a Charles Lamb, I would have written another volume similar to 'Essays of Elia' to mention each and every colleague turned friend. It must be remembered that my life at JBAS was rich and varied but one steady comforting thing in it was JBAS itself.



Dr. Salma Parveen, Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Home Science, served this institution for the past 28 years. During her tenure, she exemplified dedication, professionalism, and strong work ethics, serving as a mentor and role model to the department staff. Her willingness to share knowledge, provide guidance, and offer support empowered the department to excel in their roles and reach their full potential.

Dr. (Mrs.) Jamal Fathima J. I, Assistant Professor, Department of Statistics (AN), retired after 15 years of service at our esteemed institution on the 30th of May, 2023. She was a well-respected and much-loved staff member who mentored many throughout her career as a teacher



She first joined this institution in 1993 and served as a Mathematics teacher for a period of three years. She rejoined the institution in 2008 and served as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Statistics. She was also one of the panel members for MRCC projects and guided two batches of students in these projects.

Dr. Jamal Fathima J. I was a highly respected staff member who never postponed work. She was a systematic and meticulous worker, as well as a teacher who was caring and affectionate not only towards her students but also towards her colleagues. She was a strong woman with excellent leadership qualities and an outstanding organizer of departmental programs. She was an asset not only to her department but also to the college, and we hope that future generations will benefit from her guidance.



கல்லூரிக் காலம்

திருமதி. க. மணிமொழி இணை பேராசிரியர் ஓய்வு தமிழ்த்துறை (பிற்பகல்)

நால்வர் 2004-இல் 53 விண்ணப்பங்களில் தேர்வு செய்யப்பட்டனர், காலை நேர தமிழ்த்துறைக்காக அந்த நால்வரில் ஒருவராக நான் தெரிவு செய்யப்பட்டேன். அறிமுகமற்ற நான் தெரிவு செய்யப்பட்டது தகுதி வாய்ந்த பேராசிரியர்களை பணி அமர்த்தும் நிறுவனத்தின் நோக்கம் வெளிப்பட்டது. அன்பும் கனிவும் மிக்க இஸ்லாமிய பேராசிரியர்களால் இக்கல்லூரியில் நிலைநிறுத்தப்பட்டேன், மாணவர்களுக்காக கமிழக்குரையில் கருக்கரங்கம், பட்டிமன்றம், திறனாய்வுமன்றம் என பல்வேறு நிகழ்வுகள் அவர்களின் படைப்பாற்றலை துாண்டுவதாக அமைந்துள்ளது. கல்லூரிக்கு பெருமை சேர்க்கும் மாணவியரும் கல்வி இடையறாமல் தொடர மாணவிகளுக்கு பொருளுதவி செய்யும் பேராசியா்களையும் காண முடிந்தது. பல்வேறு பெறுமித பண்புகளோடு இயங்கும் சென்னையின் தலைசிறந்த கல்லூரியான நீதிபதி பஷீர் அஹமது சயிது மகளிர் கல்லூரி (தன்னாட்சி) கொரொணா நேரத்தில் அனைவருக்கும் முழுமையான ஊதியத்தை வழங்கியது குறிப்பிடத்தக்க ஒன்றாகும். சுற்றுச்சூழலும் சுகாதரமும் பெண்களுக்கான பாதுகாப்பும் நிறைந்துள்ளதால் தேசிய தர வரிசையில் முன்னிலையில் இருக்கின்றது. நல் வழி காட்டும் முதல்வர், குணை முதல்வர்கள், அரவணைக்கும் துறைத்தலைவர்கள், துறைதோறும் தோழியா்கள் இணைந்து செயலாற்றும் இக்கல்லூாியில் அறிவுப் பசி துாண்டும் வகுப்பறைகள் நெஞ்சைவிட்டு நீங்காது, ஒவ்வொருநாளும் ஆர்வத்துடனும், மகிழ்ச்சியுடனும் கடந்த கல்லூரி நாட்கள் என்றென்றும் நினைவில் பசுமையாய் நிற்கும்!!

Eulogy



Mrs. Meenakshi Thiagarajan, a beloved educator and the first Head of the Department of Commerce at Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women, breathed her last recently at the age of 83. She was highly respected for her commitment to teaching and her deep impact on the academic and personal lives of generations of students. In 1971, Mrs. Thiagarajan became the first head of the Commerce Department at JBAS College, where she served for nearly three decades until her retirement in 1999. During her tenure, she taught a range of subjects, including Accountancy, Business Studies, Business Management, Banking, Entrepreneurship, and Human Relations. Her approachable

teaching style and dedication to simplifying complex concepts made her a favorite among students.

Even after retirement, her passion for education continued. In 2020, she launched an online course on Udemy, titled Introduction to Financial Accounting, aimed at providing both accounting and non-accounting students with a strong foundation in the subject. The course was widely appreciated for its clarity and accessibility. Mrs. Thiagarajan's influence extended far beyond the classroom, as she shaped the careers of countless students, many of whom went on to achieve great success in the business world. Her contributions as an educator, mentor, and pioneer in the field of commerce education at JBAS College will leave a lasting legacy.

Padma Bhushan Mr. Moosa Raza (27 February 1937 – 8 May 2024), an Indian civil servant and the esteemed Chairman of the Southern India Education Trust (S.I.E.T.), made significant contributions to the institution, shaping its development and fostering a progressive academic environment from the academic year 2000 until his demise in May 2024.



He joined the Indian Administrative Service in 1960 and rose to be the Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister of Gujarat. He then served as Chief Secretary of Jammu and Kashmir, Advisor to the Governor of Uttar Pradesh and, in Delhi, as Secretary to the Government

of India in the Cabinet Secretariat and in the Ministry of Steel. He was honored with the much coveted Padma Bhushan award in the year 2010. One of his key achievements was playing an instrumental role in the establishment of the Centre for Women's Studies, an initiative that has empowered students by promoting gender equality and women's empowerment through education and research.

He also took the lead in forming the MRCC (Multi disciplinary Research and Consultancy Cell) and the Grievance Redressal Committee, ensuring that both academics and administrative issues were handled effectively, with a focus on transparency and fairness. In addition to his administrative efforts, Janab Moosa Raza made a lasting impact on the College's intellectual resources. His generous donation of books to the library enriched the academic environment, while his own contributions as an author of several well-regarded books, to name a few: Kashmir: Land of Regrets, Of Giants and Windmills, The Smile on Sorrow's Lips and In Search of Oneness, provided inspiration and knowledge to both students and faculty. His passion for academic excellence extended further as he was the visionary behind the creation of the Honours Club, a platform that encourages the reading habit among students and tapping their potential thereby recognizing and nurturing the skills of the students by providing them with opportunities for personal and academic growth. He also initiated a training free of cost to students who aspire to write the Civil Service Examinations.

Understanding the importance of faculty well-being, Janab Moosa Raza was also responsible for introducing the festival allowance for faculty members, a gesture that demonstrated his commitment to fostering a positive and supportive work culture. His focus on elevating the institution's academic prestige was evident when he arranged for visits of renowned Scholars, Academicians, Civil Servants including Mr.Hamid Ansari, the then Vice President of India, to visit the college, a prestigious event that underscored the institution's significance on the national stage. Through his forward-thinking initiatives and unwavering dedication, Janab Moosa Raza has left an indelible mark on the institution, contributing to its growth, success, and academic distinction.

The Principal, staff and students deeply mourn the demise of Janab Moosa Raza, His loss leaves a profound void yet his legacy of profound kindness, intellect and generosity will forever inspire us. May Allah (swt) grant him the highest abode in Jannah.



Follow

Shri Moosa Raza Ji was a veteran bureaucrat who served in various positions at the state and Centre. I used to interact with him and found his perspectives on various issues to be insightful. Post retirement, he worked extensively on education and learning. Pained by his demise. May his soul rest in peace.



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