

A BRIEF REPORT ON SJHMCT 2021-22

On the XI Meeting of the Board of Governors, I am happy to submit this report before the honorable members. I would like to report that consequent on the retirement of Sri. P C Georgekutty from the post of Principal of this Institute, I have assumed charge of the post from 31.12.2021 A N onwards and privileged to present this report on behalf of the Institute.

Despite intermittent restrictions imposed due to Covid pandemic, I would like to state that the Institute was able to provide quality education to our students, both online and offline, based on government directives. On these occasions online theory classes for all batches as well as internal examinations were conducted and practical classes were arranged as and when permitted in a phased manner complying covid protocol.

The prevailing pandemic situation has adversely affected our prospects of campus interview and placements for the 2017 batch who completed their course during the reporting year. However, we succeeded in providing placement to the extend possible while some of them preferred higher education.

Admission & Examination

During the reporting year, 109 students were admitted. The total student strength for the year is 424, (ie, 2018-19: 99, 2019-20: 105, 2020-21: 112 and 2021-22: 108. Increase in intake from 120 to 180 sanctioned by AICTE for the academic year 2021-22 could not be implemented for want of approval from the university.

The details of the present position of studies and university examinations held are furnished below:

In the final semester examination for 2017 batch Mr Albin Joshy was placed in the first rank and Mr. Anandu P Sabu and Mr Abin Thomas were placed in the second and third rank respectively. While 86 per cent of the students passed the final semester 76 per cent of them became eligible for degree certificates.

<u>Present position</u>	<u>Examinations held</u>	<u>average % of pass</u>
2018-22 – VI Semester (after completion of VIII Sem)	upto V Semester	73.03
2019-23 – VII Semester (pending VI sem)	V Semester(ongoing)	49.13
2020-24 – IV Semester	II semester (to be published)	

Training and Examinations

Considering the difficulties faced in providing industrial exposure training due to covid pandemic, university has permitted 2018 and 2019 batch students to continue VII & VIII semesters and to proceed for VI semester (training) thereafter. As such, 2018 batch after completion of VIII semester are at present undergoing their VI sem. industrial exposure training in five star hotels in Delhi, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala.

However, a proposal to prepone the training for 2019 batch after their ongoing seventh semester and to resume VIII semester afterwards is under consideration of the university

Staff

During the reporting year four faculty member, ie., Mrs. Chrisna Joy, Mr. Sherbin Sebastian, Mrs. George Thomas and Mr Andrew Thoppil, and one office staff Mr Naiju Joseph, Attender, left from the service.

At present, we have 15 faculty members and 5 office staff on regular basis and guest faculties were engaged for the subjects in English, French, Computer Application and Hotel Engineering. With a view to fill up the existing vacancies an interview was held on 29/01/2022 and the process of appointment is underway.

Faculty Development

During the year, our faculties participated several webinars and presented papers in national/international level workshops on subjects relating to hospitality and tourism industry. They also took part in various Faculty Development Programmes organized by AICTE, IGNOU etc.

Marketing

As was done during the previous years, our faculty members visited 16 higher secondary schools in Palai and nearby areas to introduce the Institute and about the prospects of BHM course. 246 persons took part in the webinar about the BHM course was organized in association with SMYM Palai on 17/7/2020. In another webinar held in association with Idukki Diocese 37 persons participated. A sum of Rs.94,000/- was spent during the year for advertisements in social media like You Tube, Face Book & Twitter.

Additions to facilities

During the year, Books worth Rs.1,76,136 was added to the library and steps are being taken to purchase more books during the current year itself to comply AICTE requirement.

An activity Room was created with the aid of google class room for the use by both F & B Service and F & B Production students.

Activities & programmes

246 students took part in the google class by engaged by Mr. Ajithkrishnan Nair, General Manager, Ravis Hotel conducted on 17 July 2020.

During the reporting period various online quiz and competitions were conducted by our in-house Clubs. The Sommelier Club conducted online competitions in various F & B related subjects. Rhythm Radio programme of the club had successfully completed 49 broadcasts.

As part of World Tourism Day, World Chef Day, World Smile Day etc. our faculties actively involved in organizing online competitions, webinars etc for the students. They include Photography, quiz programme, poster making, etc .

Though the pandemic situation prevented us from conducting the annual sports, this year's arts day MAD-2K20 was conducted online.

A value added training programme in Fire and Rescue Operations by the Fire and Rescue Department was held on 17.02.2022. A guest lecture was held on 18.3.2022 by Mr. Rishiraj Sigh IPA, ADGP(Retd.) on drug abuse, mobile phone and social media maniac etc

Major Events & Achievements

During September 2021, M/s Notion Press Chennai published a book written by Sri. Varghese Johnson, Asst. Professor titled as "An Interviewee's Guide to Food and Beverage Service".

In the National Educational Excellence Awards and Conference held in Taj West End, Bengaluru, our Institute was adjudged as the Top and Most Trusted Hotel Management and Catering Technology College for the year 2021 for its Quality Education, Outstanding Administration and Leading Infrastructure

The Institute's team participated in the US Canberry Live Mystery Box Culinary Challenge held at Olive Bar & Kitchen, New Delhi, Mr Stephen Joseph won first prize in Cocktail Making and the team was placed in the IV place.

Mr Johan Jose, Student 2020 batch won the Online Plating Competition organized by Banarsidas Chandiwala Institute of Hotel Management and Catering Technology, New Delhi.

In the India Skills Competitions 2021, our students Paulson Benny and Akshaykumar V C won first prize in the skill Front Office and Bakery respectively and Sujith Joseph and Sebin Babu won II & III prize in the skill Restaurant Service. In the regional round held in Visakhapattanam, Mr. Sujith Joseph won gold medal in the skill Restaurant Service and Mr Paulson Benny won silver medal in the skill Hotel Reception and selected for participation in the National Level. Mr Akshaykumar V C of the same also got selected for participation in the National Level competitions. In the National Level competitions held in New Delhi, Mr Paulson Benny received Excellence Award in the skill Hotel Reception.

E-Magazine & Newsletter

During the reporting year, the first e- magazine of SJHMCT and the third issue of Intitute's newsletter "Lantern published" were published.

Conclusion

Despite restrictions due to Covid-19, I may report that we were able to provide quality education and training and all possible steps and efforts were taken for their overall development.

I am happy to state that overall functioning of the Institute during the period of report was smooth and maintained good discipline. I thank the management for their wholehearted support guidance, and co-operation in the smooth functioning of the Institute. Rev.Fr. Jacob Puthiyaparambil left from the position as Director on 19/02/2022 and in his place Rev.Fr. Joseph Vattappallil took charge. I take this opportunity to thank Fr. Jacob Puthiyaparambil for his valuable services to the Institute and warmly welcome Fr Joseph Vattappallil. I also wish to thank our faculty and staff for their wholehearted co-operation, dedication and commitment without which the smooth functioning of the Institute could not be attained.

Thank you


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