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The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace. Psalm 29:11

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Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean, College of Nursing superannuated on 10th June 2023 after 38 years and 11 months of dedicated service in the Institution. She had completed B.Sc Nursing in the year 1984 and specialized in Community Health Nursing with Master's Degree at College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore. She obtained the Doctoral degree from the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai. She started her professional career as a Staff Nurse in Community Health Nursing Department and climbed up the ladder to become the Professor and Head of the Department. She served as the Head of the Department for a period of two years from 01/06/2021 to 10/06/2023. She worked with immense passion and contributed to the growth and development of the department. She is very talented in gaining the co-operation of the local community towards the expansion of services in the rural areas served by the department. She had innovative ideas in encouraging Community Participation. She has been very instrumental in the establishment of Kannigapuram Outreach Clinic and initiating Women Empowerment programme for the CONCH areas. She has been an excellent teacher in the field of public health, an approachable and friendly teacher to her students. She has been the SNA Junior and Senior Advisor and has always been a source of support and strength to the Student Nurses' Association.

As a dynamic leader Dr. Vathsala Sadan served the Board of Nursing Education, South India Branch of Christian Medical Association of India (CMAI) for eight years and has been instrumental in promoting

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quality education for the Diploma Nursing Programme. She is currently the Vice president of CMAI. She also made an impact in the post graduate Nursing Education at Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat during her sabbatical leave. She has also contributed to the revision of BSc Nursing syllabus, being on Academic Review Committee member at the Indian Nursing Council. She has been a resource person for several academic events at various levels and has numerous scientific publications to her credit and has guided undergraduate and postgraduate student in their research work.

Her tenure in the Dean's Office had witnessed several achievements and brought laurels to College of Nursing amidst the challenges of COVID-19. The College was furnished with the State-of-the-art facility of an Advanced Simulation Centre for Excellence in Nursing funded through ASHA Grant in January 2023. The College was also accredited with "A" grade by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council in February 2023.

Dr. Vathsala Sadan's husband Mr. S. Sadan is a Retired Cashier from Canara Bank. Her elder daughter Dr. Jenifer Frank works as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Ophthalmology, CMC, (Alumnus- MBBS Batch of 2010), son-in-law Dr. Frank is a Scientist at the Wild Life Institute of India, Dehradun. Her younger daughter Ms. Monika Ruth works as an Operations Engineer in Alstom, Bangalore and son-in-law Er. Vivian Samuel works as a Senior Network Engineer in Servion Global Solutions, Bangalore. She is blessed with a grand-daughter Liana Frank. The CMC family is thankful to Dr. Vathsala Sadan for her rich contributions to the institution and wishes her a happy, healthy and blessed retirement life.

The Luminary Lecture Series: Mr. Ramachandra Guha

Towards community building across the many campuses of CMC, the popular Luminary Lecture series, one of the highlights of the Centenary Year of Medical Education in 2018, was re-started. This series aims to feature luminaries from non-medical disciplines, with a focus on humanities, social and environmental issues etc., to educate, inspire and broaden the knowledge of the CMC community in its understanding of the world at large.

The first Lecture for 2023 was delivered by Mr. Ramachandra Guha on 21st June 2023 to a packed Scudder Auditorium. The program started with prayer by Rev. Joseph Devaraj, followed by the College Song. The Principal, Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar welcomed that gathering, that comprised members of the CMC community, retired staff, and students of local schools and colleges. The Director, Dr. Vikram Mathews, introduced Mr. Ramachandra Guha.

Mr. Ramachandra Guha, one of the best-known current historians in India, is also well known as a biographer, columnist and environmentalist. His Lecture was titled 'Lineages of Indian Environmentalism'. Mr. Guha mentioned the seminal Chipko andolan of 1973, which is often seen as the beginning of environmentalism in India. His talk focused on the prescient writings and work of five people from the early to mid-20th century. They raised the alarm that development sans ecological sustainability would only lead to environmental degradation and disaster for human populations in the long run. Mr. Guha spoke of the aesthetic, educational and political environmentalism of Rabindranath Tagore; the sustainable agro-forestry of Mirabeen (who worked with Gandhiji for many years);



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the inter and trans-disciplinary ecological thinking and approach of Radhakamal Mukerjee (Professor of Economics at Lucknow University); the wholistic urban planning principles and aspects that Patrick Geddes, a Scottish town planner, espoused, and the broad and comprehensive focus on sustainable environments by Madhaviah Krishnan, a pioneering wildlife photographer, writer and naturalist.

Following Mr. Guha's enlightening, erudite and passionate talk, Dr. Deepa Ramaswamy, Professor of Psychiatry chaired a lively interactive session. Dr. Vinod Abraham, Vice Principal (UG), proposed the vote of thanks and the programme ended with the National Anthem.

The National Medical Commission's 1st Basic Course in Medical Education (BCME)

The National Medical Commission's 1st Basic Course in Medical Education (BCME) was conducted for the Deans, Curriculum committee members and MEU resource person of the affiliated Medical Colleges from 14th to 16th June 2023 in the Nodal Centre, Medical Education Department (MED), CMC Vellore. We had thirty participants (5 Deans, 7 Professors, 7 Associate Professors and 11 Assistant Professors) benefiting from this course.

The objectives of this programme was to sensitise the participants to understand the Principles of learning, frame specific learning objectives for a competency, enumerate various interactive learning methods in a large group or a small group, choose the right assessment method for the competency, give timely feedback to the students and apply innovative methods in teaching and assessment of AETCOM (Attitude, Ethics and Communication) modules.

Dr. Margret Shanthi F. X. started the day with a word of prayer and the Principal, Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, welcomed the members present. Resource persons from various departments in CMC Vellore facilitated the most active sessions and Dr. Margaret Shanthi F. X., proposed the Vote of thanks on the third day.

The Medical Education Department gratefully thanks to Dr. Margaret Shanthi F. X., Dr. Sudha Jasmine, Dr. Reena George, Dr. Shantidani Minz, Dr. Uday Zachariah, Dr. Vinod Abraham, Dr. Sathishkumar T., Dr. Vinay Oommen, Dr. Tripti Jacob, Dr. Vandana Kamath, Dr. Rajat Raghunath, Dr. Prakash S. S., and Dr. Latif Rajesh for all their contributions towards the successful conduct of the Basic Course in Medical Education (BCME).



One-year anniversary of the Radiation Oncology services in Ranipet Campus



A thanksgiving prayer to commemorate the one-year anniversary of the Radiation Oncology services in Ranipet campus was held on 27th June 2023. The Radiation Oncology department at the Dr. Ida B. Scudder Cancer Centre at Ranipet campus has completed one year of services, on 27th June 2023, providing high-quality care to patients with cancer. The department's team of experienced radiation oncologists, medical physicists, nurses, radiation therapy technologists and all the support staff are dedicated to providing the best possible care for the patients. The department is equipped with state-of-the-art technology, including a linear accelerator (True Beam), Tomotherapy, an Integrated Brachytherapy suite, a CT simulator, Exactrac, SGRT, Gating systems and Imaging lab. This has enabled us to offer high-quality care at an affordable cost including those who are socioeconomically disadvantaged.



In the past year at Ranipet campus, the department has rendered state-of-the-art cancer services, including 4700 radiation treatments, 600 brachytherapy and 850 daycare chemotherapy treatments. The patients have expressed an overall good experience with the facilities and quality of care. We thank God for enabling to start the cancer rehabilitation programme in the OPD area at Ranipet Campus. Also, during the recently held NABH inspection, the inspectors mentioned the department as an Area of excellence. We praise God for this milestone in the journey of our department.

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SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Gastrointestinal Sciences : Dr. Anna B. Pulimood and staff
Ms. Sumathy and staff

Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology :

Dr. Sudipta Dar Chowdhury and staff
Dr. Ebby George Simon and staff
Dr. Reuben Thomas Kurien and staff
Dr. Ashish Goel and Staff
Ms. Sumathy and Staff

Wellcome Trust Research Laboratory : Dr. C.E. Eapen and Staff

Medical Genetics : Dr. Sumita Danda and Staff

Jeypore Evangelical Lutheran Church

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Bidhan Kumar Nayak
Dr. Sunil Chander Jiwanmall

Hospital : Christian Hospital, Nabarangpur and Bissamcuttack.

Church Mission Society

Council Members : Mr. Stephen Edison
Ms. Rhena Clouston



Welcome

Dr. Vivek Mathew, Professor, Neurology Department, on his return from sabbatical leave.

Ms. S.W. Naomi Nancy, Assistant Professor, College of Nursing, on her return from sabbatical leave.

Memoranda

Dr. Cecil Thankachan Thomas, Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of General Surgery Unit-I with effect from 19th June, 2023 until further notice.

Dr. Beena K, Associate Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-I with effect from 13th June 2023 during the period when Dr. Elsy Thomas, is away on sabbatical leave.

Dr. Inian S, Professor & Head of General Surgery Unit-III is appointed as Head of the Department of General Surgery & Division of Surgery from 1st July, 2023 to 26th January, 2027.

Dr. Oommen K. George, Professor, is appointed as Head of Cardiology Unit-III with effect from 1st July, 2023 to 29th December, 2023.

Laurels and Recognition

Dr. Jenny Jacob, Assistant Professor, Department of Anatomy had won the runner up prize for the oral presentation in the 2nd UAE Anatomy Conference at Mohammed Bin Rashid University of Medicine and Health Sciences, Dubai, UAE, on 10th June, 2023.

Retirements

Mr. Ravikumar, Hospital Attendant Gr. I, PM Office (R.P), who is retired on 22nd May, 2023 after 34 years of his dedicated service to this Institution.

He worked in Laundry for 6 years and neuro ward for 26 years. He is good and calm person. He is hard working person willing to work extra most of the times. He married to Mrs. Elizabeth.



Retirements

Mr. Narasimhan. Sr. Hospital Attendant, PM Office (Relief Pool) retired on 1st June 2023, after 38 years of dedicated service to the Institution. He joined the Institution in the year 1985 worked in the KN ward then moved to the Cardiothoracic Surgery Office in the year 1987 where he worked for 35 years. He has always been a compassionate, hardworking, energetic, God fearing and kind person.



His wife Mrs. Manimegalai, is a retired staff of our Institution. He has one son and one daughter. His son, Mr. Sanjay Kumar and Daughter-in-law, Mrs. Rajalakshmi, both are working in one of the hospitals under NHS, London, Daughter Mrs. Ramya has completed her B.Sc. Nursing and working as a staff Nurse in Emergency Department, CMC, Son-in-law Mr. Prabhakaran working as a NTA in Central Command Centre, Ranipet Campus, CMC.



Mrs. Chandra, Hospital Attendant Gr. I, PM Office (Relief Pool), retired on 1st June 2023 after 41 years of his dedicated service to this Institution. She understands the details of the job and cooperates well with others. She is a pleasant person willing to help and adjust with any type of work.

She is married to Mr. Murugesan. She has two sons. Elder son Mr. Andrews is a Cheff in Bangalore, younger son Mr. Christopher is working in private firm, Chennai.

The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

Obituary

Dr. Mary Jacob, CMC Alumni Batch of 1951, retired Professor and Head, Department of Anatomy, Sister of Dr. Annie J. Mani (CMC Alumni Batch of 1956) and Mrs. Sarah Jacob (retired Head, Department of Dietetics), passed away on 1st July, 2023.

Situations Vacant

1. Senior Resident with MD (Pathology) for the Department of General Pathology

Age Limit : <40 Years.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

The initial appointment will be as Senior Resident for one year and can be upgraded to Assistant Professor in the 2nd year (as per the latest NMC guidelines).

2. Senior Resident with MD (Transfusion Medicine) / MD (Pathology) for the Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

3. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MS (ENT) for the Department of E.N.T. Unit - II

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution for applying Assistant Professor post. Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on Availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies".

Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.

Applications will close on **July10, 2023** for Item 1 and **July15, 2023** for Items 2 and 3.

4. Project Manager for the Department of Trauma Surgery

Job Code : 1481

Qualification : M.B.B.S.

Job Description : Supervision of / and data entry (Research work alone, no clinical work).

Salary : As per institutional rules. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Accommodation not provided.

5. Senior Research Fellow for the Department of Haematology**Job Code : 1482**

Qualification : M.Sc. / M.Tech in Clinical Research / Health Sciences / Life Sciences.

Candidates with CSIR / UGC / ICMR / DBT Fellowships will be given preference.

Salary : As per fellowship guidelines. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>Link : General - "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**Applications will close by **July 15, 2023** for Items 4 and 5.**6. Asst. Respiratory Therapist (Term Appointment) for the Department of Pulmonary Medicine (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)**

Qualifications : B.Sc. Respiratory Therapy / B.Sc. with PG Diploma in advanced Respiratory Therapy .

Candidates who are in 2nd year bond can also apply.**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Consolidated Pay : Rs.24,129/- Age Limit : 35 Years.

7. Jr. Medical Lab Technician (Term Appointment) for the RUHSA Department

Qualifications : H.Sc., with 2 year CMAI Diploma in Medical Lab Technician.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Consolidated Pay : Rs.18,949/- Accommodation not provided. Age Limit : 35 Years.

Applications to be done only through online application system.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies".**Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**Applications will close on **July 17, 2023** for Items 6 and 7.**8. Vidyalayam Association of CMC Staff, Balavihar Kids Corner, CMC Hospital Campus, Vellore-632 004.** Applications are invited for the post of **Teacher in Balavihar Kids Corner**

Qualification : Montessori / TTC/Any Degree with B.Ed.

Preference will be given to the female candidates who are fluent in English, have a teaching experience and are below 30 years of age.

Interested candidates may apply to Balavihar Kids Corner, CMC Hospital Campus, Vellore,

Phone :0416 - 228 3499 email : balavihar@cmcvellore.ac.in on or before **July 15, 2023**.**9. Scudder Memorial Hospital (CSI-Diocese of Vellore), Kelly's Road, Ranipet - 632 401, Tamil Nadu, South India, applications are invited for the posts of :****(a) English Tutor.** Qualification : B.A. B.Ed.

Experience : Minimum 2 years of teaching experience. Salary : As per institutional norms.

(b) Physics Tutor. Qualification : M.Sc. (Physics or Medical Physics).

Experience : Minimum 2 years of teaching experience. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Medical Professions:**(c) Cardiologist.** Qualification : M.D. (Cardiology). Salary : Commensurate with experience.**(d) Psychiatrist.** Qualification : M.D. (Psychiatry). Salary : Commensurate with experience.**Note : Retired staff can also apply for S.No.3 and 4.**Application with copies and qualification to be sent to HR Manager, No.3, Kelly's Road, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet - 632 401. Email ID : hrrsmh2021@gmail.com / hrd@scudderhospital.org