RIGHT TO INFORMATION

Bringing Information to the Citizens

Right to Information Act 2005 mandates timely response to citizen requests for information. It is an initiative taken by the Department of Personnel and Training, Ministry of Personnel Affairs, Public Grievances and Pensions to provide a—RTI Portal Gateway to the citizens for quick search of information on the details of first Appellate Authorities, PIOs etc. amongst others, besides access to RTI related information / disclosures published on the web by various Public Authorities under the government of India as well as the State Governments.

Objectives of RTI

The basic object of the Right to Information Act is to empower the citizens, promote transparency and accountability in the working of the Government/ institution, and make our democracy work for the people in real sense. It goes without saying that an informed citizen is better equipped to keep necessary vigil on the instruments of governance and make the government more accountable to the governed. The Act is a big step towards making the citizens informed about the activities of the administration.

About the College

Mary Matha Arts and Science College, Mananthavady, a government-aided college affiliated to Kannur University, was founded by the Catholic Diocese of Mananthavady in the year 1995. It is the only government-aided Arts and Science College in the Mananthavady taluk of Wayanad district. The college is affiliated to Kannur University, Kannur, and is included under sections 2(f) and 12B of the University Grants Commission (UGC). The college was graded at level A by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in the second cycle reaccreditation in the year 2014. Presently, the college offers seven undergraduate and two post graduate programmes. The post graduate departments of Mathematics and Zoology are also approved research centres.

The college offers seven degree programmes – B.A. Functional English, B.Sc. Mathematics, B.Sc. Zoology, B.Sc. Computer Science, B.Com, B.Sc. Chemistry (Unaided) and B.Sc. Physics and two P.G. courses M.Sc. Computer Science and M.Sc. Mathematics (Un-aided). The college has seven major departments, five subsidiary departments and two language departments.

The English Department has a well-equipped language laboratory. Department of Zoology, Chemistry and Biological Techniques also have modern

laboratories with necessary facilities. Departments of Mathematics and Zoology are recognized as Research Centers of Kannur University.

The National Service Scheme, N.C.C. and other organizations/clubs undertake community and extension services. The college has many other clubs/organizations like AICUF, Bhoomithrasena, Vimukti Club, Media Club, Save Green Club, Science Club, Literary Associations etc.

The student community of the college represents a cross section of the society. Majority of the students of the college belong to socially and economically backward sections of the society. The total student strength at present is about 762. Majority of the students of the college belong to SC, ST, OBCs, minorities and other weaker sections of the society. 65 % of the students are women students.

The Powers & Duties of Officers and Employees

The Principal of the College is the Academic and Administrative Head of the College. Administrative office is headed by the Junior Superintendent and supported by the Head Accountant, Clerks, Library Assistants, Lab Assistants and Office Assistants under the supervision of the Principal. Associate Professors & Assistant professors of various departments under the supervision of senior teacher as the Head in charge of the department supports the Principal in academic matters.

The Public can directly access the information from the College Office/ Principal and the departments concerned during working hours of the college. Information on other matters can be obtained from the Public Information Officer as per provisions of the RTI ACT, 2005. No library is maintained for public use.

Name, designation and other particulars of the Appellate Authority and Public Information Officer:

Appellate Authority: Dr. Savio James V, Principal, Mary Matha Arts & Science College, Mananthavady.

Public Information Officer: Mr. Joy Joseph, Junior Superintendent, Mary Matha Arts & Science College, Mananthavady.