

AŚVATTHA– THE TLC NEWSLETTER (AUGUST 2016)

TLC EVENTS CONDUCTED FROM APRIL-JULY 2016

A **3-day “Teaching Assistant Training Program (TATP)”** was conducted from 1-3 April, 2016 for the Teaching Assistants from the following departments: Applied Mechanics, Civil, Chemical Engineering, Chemistry, Engineering Design, Electrical, Management Studies, Mechanical, Metallurgical, Ocean Engineering. The sessions were handled by Experts from Mission 10X (Dr. Sujatha Jagannath and Dr. Rajshri). Dr. Deepa Venkitesh (EE) & Dr. Edamana Prasad (Chy) IITM were the Coordinators.

Several **3-day Faculty Development Programs** were conducted by TLC, coordinated by Dr. Edamana Prasad (Chy) and Dr. Rajeev Sukumaran (TLC, IITM). The details are appended below.

| Details | Number of Participants | Dates |
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| TEQIP funded Institutions, Kerala | 30 | April 07 - 09, 2016 |
| TEQIP funded Institutions, Tamilnadu | 20 | April 21-23, 2016 |
| TEQIP funded Institutions, Kerala | 30 | May 05 - 07, 2016 |
| TEQIP funded Institutions, Kerala | 30 | June 30 – July 02, 2016 |
| TEQIP funded Institutions, Kerala | 34 | July 28 – July 30, 2016 |

TLC organized a **Panel Discussion** on “What is lacking in the present day classrooms?” on 26 April, 2016. The Panel members were Anuradha Banerjee (AM), Harishankar Ramachandran (Head, EE), Joenatha, Sripriya (TA) and Shashank (TA). 15 faculty members actively participated in the discussion.

TLC’s proposal to augment the activities of the Teaching Learning Centre was approved by MHRD under the Pandit Madan Mohan Malavya National Mission on Teaching.

A **2-day Teaching Assistant Orientation (TAO) Program** was conducted during 18-19 July, 2016 for the Teaching Assistants from the following departments: 18 from Aerospace Engineering, 22 from Applied Mechanics, 22 from Biotechnology, 22 from Chemistry, 16 from Chemical Engineering, 30 from Civil Engineering, 21 from Computer Science & Engineering, 47 from Electrical Engineering, 15 from Engineering Design, 13 from Humanities and Social Sciences, 5 from Mathematics, 17 from Management Studies, 30 from Mechanical Engineering, 23 from Metallurgical & Materials Engineering, 6 from Ocean Engineering, and 13 from Physics. The sessions were handled by Prof. Pramod Mehta (ME), Prof. Sreepad Karmalkar (EE), Dr. Rupashree Baral (MS), Dr. Deleep Nair (EE), Dr. Vijayan (PH), Dr. Nirmala (PH), Dr. Sathyan (ME), Dr. Smita Srivatsava (BT), Dr. Rajeev Sukumaran (TLC). Dr. Deepa Venkitesh (EE) & Dr. Edamana Prasad (Chy) were the Coordinators. The program was well received.

TLC initiated a new program with an aim of helping students who are in their final year of a Master's or PhD programme, with decisions related to their career. Teaching, a career with great promise, offer excitement and fulfillment especially in the present scenario of revolutionary changes in higher education in the country. This programme, therefore, has been designed to develop primary level skill set required for effective teaching. The introductory program: a **3-day “Program for Aspiring College Teachers (PACT)”** for 38 students of Basaveshwar Engineering College, Bagalkot, Karnataka was held during 25–27 July, 2016. The Event Coordinators were Dr. Edamana Prasad (Chy) and Dr. Deepa Venkitesh (EE).
