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**ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18**

A pleasant good morning to everyone. On behalf of the Management, Staff members and students, I welcome each one of you to the XXXIII College day celebrations. I am deeply privileged to welcome our honourable chief guest Tmt.S.Mallikha, IPS, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Central Crime Branch, Chennai. My respects are due to President, Punjab Association, Shri.Bharat Bhushan Goyal, General Secretary, Shri Ramesh Lamba, Treasurer, Shri Ajay Bhalla, Vice President, Punjab Association and Correspondent Anna Adarsh College, Shri Manjeet Singh Sethi. I warmly welcome the parents, patrons, faculty and students to annual day celebrations today.

***A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can alter the course of history .***

The members of the Punjab Association created a unique history by embarking on creating a women's college and Anna Adarsh College came into being in 1985.

From a humble beginning of 300 students, 17 faculty members and 6 Undergraduate departments at inception, the college has been progressing steadily and consistently over the years and today it has a strength of 5300 students and 200 teaching fraternity with 15 Undergraduate, 10 Postgraduate, 3 Research, 4 language departments.

Apart from regular programmes, the college provides the students with additional knowledge enhancement skills through 11 certificate /diploma courses on a range of specializations. These include International, national and university recognized courses.

***Excellence is the gradual result of always striving to do better.***

The college was accredited with 'A' grade in the first cycle by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council in 2011. Since then, our goal has been to better our performance in every sphere of college life. Our consistent hard work and the constant support of the management saw us emerge with the superlative A+ grade in the second cycle of re-accreditation by NAAC in 2017. The re-accreditation process is demanding and stringent norms are followed and this



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makes the A+ grade a rare distinction. The rating has placed the college in the league of some of the most prestigious institutions in the country. The grading has vindicated our efforts and proved our mettle as we are humbled and elated at the rating the college holds today.

*Knowledge is fundamental to enterprising performance.*

The knowledge gained by the students is reflected in the number of university ranks garnered every year in the UG and PG courses. Scholastic excellence has always been a priority with the institution. This year, we had a total of 165 University ranks across the streams with an average pass percentage of 90 for UG and 94 for PG.

*Teachers have a love for learning, learners and the skill of bringing the two together.* It is because of the commitment, attention and care of the faculty that our students have been able to perform exceptionally well.

Faculty are members of Board of Studies, distinguished academic bodies and involved in the designing of the curriculum at leading universities and colleges, including the University of Madras and are also reviewers of International journals. Staff members of the college regularly attend Faculty Improvement, Orientation and Refresher programmes to update their skill sets, to acquire new ideas and to keep their knowledge base current and contemporary. So far, 94 staff members have attended Faculty development Programmes and 10 non-teaching faculty have undergone administrative training programmes. Faculty development and administrative training programmes were conducted by various departments and IQAC of the college. The list is enclosed as follows;

**Faculty Development Programmes/Professional Development Programmes Organised by the Institution for Teaching Faculty**

- 1. Department of Computer Science Organized a Faculty Improvement Programme on "Data Science with Python" on 27-07-2017.*
- 2. IQAC organised a NAAC Orientation Programme for Faculty Members on 12-08-2017.*



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3. Department of MCA Organised a Faculty Development Programme on "Advanced Framework in Java Script on 11-09-2017
4. Department of Computer Science organised Faculty Orientation Programme on "Changing Role of a Teacher" on 25-11-2017
5. Department of Commerce Shift II organised a Faculty Development Programme, Goods and Service Tax on 12-02-2018
6. Department of Bank Management organized a Faculty Development Programme on "Twists and Turns in the Financial Sector" on 24-03-2018

**Administrative Training Programmes Organised by the Institution for Non-Teaching Faculty**

*Training Programme on Tally Software was organised for Non-Teaching Faculty members on 08-01-2018*

The college has qualified and fully eligible staff members. The Adarsh Centre for Excellence (ACE) is committed towards promoting a research temperament and a scientific outlook. I am delighted to acknowledge that staff members have published many books, research articles and paper presentations till now, many are awaiting the publishing of their papers and articles. While 88 senior faculty hold doctoral degrees, 60 are actively pursuing it.

The recognition of the quality of education is reflected in the awards and honours bestowed on the faculty. The college was the recipient of the Vidya Seva Rathna award from the Kanchi Kamakoti Trust in 2017.

The principal received Best principal for Quality Achievement for 2017 from IIR, an International research body.

Anna Adarsh College is the only Arts and Science college to be selected to be a part of nationwide ICT initiative T10KT project, organized by IIT Bombay in 2017.



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*Learning is more than absorbing facts, it is acquiring understanding.*

Moving beyond the textbooks and the classrooms and to enable them to have a practical understanding of concepts, the students are exposed to the emerging themes and trending topics in their subjects through national, regional seminars, workshops and conferences organised by the respective departments throughout the year.

Departments have inhouse specialized publications with the research and subject articles penned by the students and staff members. The journals and magazines are 'Focus' by Department of Corporate Secretaryship, 'Dimensions' by the Department of Physics, 'Alchemy' by Department of Chemistry, 'Anvesh' by the Department of Commerce. National and International abstracts of the effects of digitalization was published in the conference souvenir by the Department of Computer Science this year. Students are also encouraged to post their articles online through their blogs. College also brings out an annual magazine 'Adarsh Vani' and a newsletter 'Adnel'.

*When educating the minds of our youth we must not forget to educate their hearts.* Departments also arrange outreach programmes where students volunteer their services in terms of resources and time for the differently abled and the marginalised sections of society.

*Identify yourself, know who you are, what you believe in, where you want to go.* The various clubs cater to the students with diversified interests – be it music, drama or dance or other creative arts. The social service clubs inculcate the desire to engage with the community and contribute to nation building.

The college hosted, conducted, organised and arranged more than 200 events this year. This includes department programmes, club activities, awareness campaigns, blood donation camps, rallies, administrative training programmes etc.

*Limitations live in our minds. If we use our imagination, our possibilities become limitless*



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To enable the students to unleash their creative streak and out of the box thinking, the college hosts three kinds of culturals – Manjari and Meghmalhar are hosted for the new students and between the departments. The intercollegiate culturals, Neherika is a popular and well sought after cultural event in the city. This year, more than 300 students from other institutions participated in the fest. The cultural scenario reverberates with musical beats and tapping feet.

The college has been very conscious of its commitment to the environment. The green audit conducted focused on the eco friendly initiatives implemented in the college premises. In partnership with PaperBoards and Speciality Paper Division ITC limited, the paper waste from the college is recycled through the National Recycling Initiative – WOW. Rainwater harvesting systems are in place for water conservation. The solar power generating system with solar PV module panels are used to supplement the electricity requirements promoting the renewable power resource.

*Example is not the main thing in influencing others, it's the only thing*

The student council members are trained to lead, show the way, take responsibility, and represent their counterparts. They are elected through an indigenous e-voting system devised inhouse. Every student exercises her choice of representative. The council serves as a bridge connecting the administration and faculty with the students so as to make their campus experience a pleasant and memorable one.

*Talent wins games, teamwork wins championships.*

Sports and games are integral to the college atmosphere. While individual students have been successful in athletics, chess, badminton, table tennis it is team games like throwball, handball, volleyball, basketball, ball badminton, kho-kho that has marked the success trail of our students. With intensive training offered by the college, students have won at all levels in individual and team events including general and classical fitness regimens like silambam, karate, zumba and yoga.



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Sports day was a glorious spectacle with eye-catching displays and rhythmic drills. The college is keenly promoting sports and we are happy to record that more than 3000 students are involved in sports activities and staff members participate in competitions around the year. The intercollegiate event conducted on campus, Sporten drew tremendous response from other institutions.

*Competition makes us faster; collaboration makes us better*

The exchange of knowledge and know-how is important to deliver the best in the teaching-learning experience. The college has an international Memorandum of Understanding with Kursk University, Russia. We have also inked agreements with leading universities, companies, think-tanks and academic organisations to understand and apply newer means of imparting information.

*Sometimes the most ordinary things could be made extraordinary simply by doing them with the right people*

The operational framework of the college is an effectively streamline one and the functioning is smooth because of the cooperation of all the stakeholders – the management members, the faculty, the office staff and the students. The goodwill and the open communication among the stakeholders makes a transparent and open administration possible.

The anti ragging cell and the complaint are effective tools in the redressal machinery in place for students. The staff council, the heads of the department and the class-in-charges also actively listen and address student issues. The mentor ward system assures the handholding of students by the faculty to maintain an amicable learning environment.

*No one can whistle a symphony. It takes a whole orchestra to play it.*

It is under the aegis of the IQAC headed by the principal that the entire college functions to raise the bar of quality of education offered in the institution. The IQAC conceptualizes events,





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classifies information, records proceedings, defines standards, validates data, assess processes. This is then analyzed and improved upon with suitable recommendations.

*Life is 10% of what happens to you and 90% of how you respond to it.*

Classes are conducted by professionals to teach students life skills and to enable them to be adept in their thinking and to adapt to the changing world. Students are trained to acquire new perspectives and apply them to work and life. Professional counselling services are offered by a well-trained and qualified psychologist.

*When you focus on possibilities, you will have more opportunities*

The effect of this holistic training on all fronts that the college offers is reflected in the multi career openings that students obtain at the end of their course.

The placement cell coordinates with reputed corporate houses for training, talks, skill development and hiring. For effective placement, we are a part of the National Skill Development Corporation(NSDC) initiative where Barclays Bank provides free training to students. Last year the placement was 40%. This year with training, we are targeting a higher placement number. The tangible result of their education is evidenced by the number of students selected for employment.

Taking student interest at heart, welfare measures such as the earn while you learn scheme, students safety insurance, free education scheme, soft skills courses, feedback mechanisms are in place. Various scholarships are made available to the students, including government, university and management funded financial aid. We are happy to place on record our gratitude to the management for funding the Group Mediclaim policy from United India Insurance Company for all faculty members.



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*It is not happiness that brings gratitude it is gratitude that brings us happiness*

We owe thanks to many.

It is because of our management who have been generous, supportive, encouraging and thoughtful that we have come far and we are able to set our sights higher and further. The parents who have put their trust in us and handed over their daughters' futures to be shaped and moulded by us the right way – we are grateful for their confidence in us. We are proud of the faith that patrons and well-wishers have in us. It is this faith that has been our guiding light shining our way through all ventures.

A thought for the students to contemplate and dwell on

*Do not let your fire go out, in the swamps of the approximate, the not-quite, the not-yet, the not-at-all. Check your road and the nature of your battle. The world you desire can be won. It exists, it is real, it is possible, it is yours.*

It is this infectious optimism that permeates the spirit of every single thread that weaves the magical carpet of Anna Adarsh College.