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Every voice, every life, every future matters



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#### International Day of Food Loss and Waste Awareness 9 October 2023

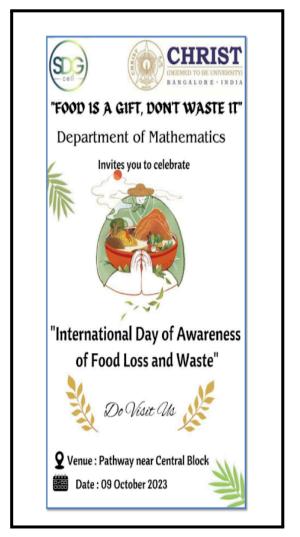
Venue: Pathway near Central Block

No. of Participants: 300

The Department of Mathematics, in collaboration with the Sustainable Development Cell of CHRIST (Deemed to be University), organised a Campus Food Waste Awareness Campaign on 9 October 2023, marking the International Day of Food Loss and Waste Awareness. The campaign aimed to promote responsible consumption and highlight the environmental and ethical impacts of food wastage. Engaging over 300 participants, the event featured creative awareness games such as *Dare Wheel, Memory Game*, and *Whisper Challenge*, making learning interactive and fun. Informative posters and videos emphasised the urgency of reducing food waste. A team of 18 student organisers also conducted interviews with canteen owners and vendors to gather insights on waste patterns and solutions. The initiative fostered collective reflection and inspired sustainable actions such as portion control, food donation, and improved food management, reaffirming CHRIST University's commitment to sustainability and responsible resource use.







#### Organic farming: A real-life experience 16 February, 2023

Venue: Panel Room: 2nd Room, Central Block

No. of Participants: 125

The Department of Economics, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Central Campus, organised a guest lecture on "Organic Farming: A Real-Life Experience" on 16 February 2023. Coordinated by Ms Deepa V. K., Assistant Professor and SDG Cell Coordinator, the session featured Dr Ramya Devi, Founder and Educator, Mounam Nature Learning Centre, Tamil Nadu. Dr Devi shared her inspiring journey of transforming academic learning into a sustainable livelihood through organic farming. She discussed creating a self-sustaining model that integrates agricultural productivity, environmental conservation and community education. The lecture highlighted eco-friendly farming, conscious living and the social and economic challenges of organic farming, including marketing and awareness. Through her innovative community-based initiatives, Dr Devi demonstrated practical ways to promote sustainability. The session aligned with the UN Sustainable Development Goals, inspiring students to adopt sustainable practices and understand how organic farming contributes to ecological balance, food security, and community empowerment.



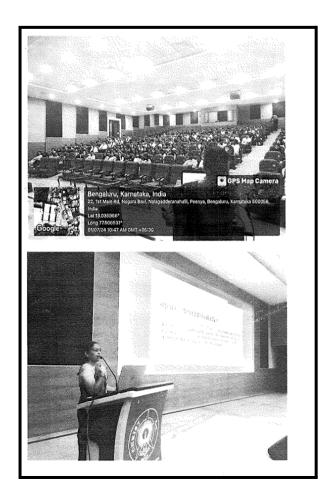


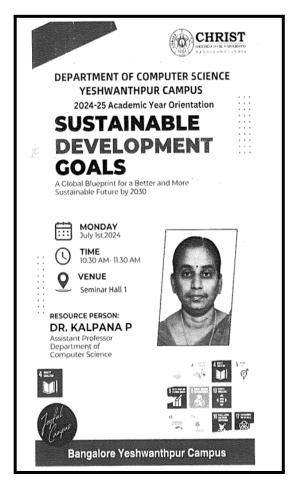


## SDG Orientation 1 July 2024

Venue: Seminar Hall 1, Bangalore Yeshwanthpur Campus No. of Participants: 71

The orientation session on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) conducted by the Department of Computer Science on 1st July 2024 was an enlightening and interactive event designed to educate students about global sustainability efforts and the institutional role of the SDG Cell. The session commenced with an introductory video from the United Nations, offering an overview of all 17 SDGs, followed by an expert explanation by Dr Kalpana P, who elaborated on their significance and impact on global development. A detailed introduction to the SDG Cell was presented, emphasising its objectives, functioning, and contributions to promoting sustainability within the college. Class-wise representatives were selected to lead and coordinate SDG-related initiatives, fostering leadership and responsibility among students. The event concluded with an interactive quiz, allowing participants to test their understanding engagingly. Overall, the session effectively raised awareness, strengthened students' comprehension of sustainable development principles, and encouraged active participation in achieving the SDGs through academic and community initiatives.





### Child Sponsorship June 2024

Venue: MBA Classrooms, Central Campus

No. of Participants: 300

The Child Sponsorship Activity conducted in June 2024 by the School of Business and Management (SBM), CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore, under the guidance of the Centre for Social Action (CSA), exemplified the integration of social responsibility into management education. With 100% participation from first-year MBA students, the initiative aimed to support the education of financially disadvantaged children up to 14 years of age through collective student contributions. Coordinated efficiently by Class Representatives (CRs) and mentored by Dr Rajiv Kalebar and Dr Vedha Balaji, the campaign encouraged empathy, teamwork, and leadership among students. The G Section was recognised for achieving the highest contribution, reflecting commendable commitment to the cause. Overall, the activity fostered value-based leadership, social sensitivity, and a culture of giving back, empowering future business professionals to lead with compassion and inclusivity.



CENTRE FOR SOCIAL ACTION - CHRIST (DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY)

"WE CARE" - BECAUSE EVERY CHILD DESERVES A FUTURE

#### WHAT IS CSP?

 Started in 1999 by student volunteers, a flagsiphinitiative of CSA has been transforming, young, lives with access to education, nutrition, healthcare, and life skills training

#### ★ HOW CSP HAS GROWN

- 1999: Launched with 52 children supported
- 2023-24: ₹4200+ children annually
- ₹42.00.000+ last year through studentudent contributions
- · Completely student-led initiative under CSA

#### AGE-WISE BENEFITS TO SPONSORED CHILDREN

#### Up to 14 Years -Basic Education

- School fees + educational kits (notebooks, bags, shoes)
- Nutritional and hygiene support

#### CONTRIBUTION

 Just ₹6000 per year sponsors one child Covers all essentials for a year of learning and growth

#### Up to 16 Years – Life Skills & Development

- Personality development. extracurriculars & career support
- Health camps, counseling, value education

#### **HOW YOU CAN HELP**

- · Sponsor a child
- Spread the word in your classes or circles
- Be part o 7 a movement that changes lives

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE NO CHILD IS LEFT BEHIND. FOR QUERIES OR TO CONTRIBUTE, CONTACT CENTRA SOICIAL

#### National Seminar on Social Entrepreneurship, Sustainability and Empowerment- ICSSR-funded Seminar 21-22 June 2024

Venue: Auditorium, Central Campus No. of Participants: PhD Scholars

The Department of Management Studies, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), organised a thought-provoking seminar on social entrepreneurship that bridged the gap between academic insights and real-world experiences. The event brought together visionary social entrepreneurs and scholars to explore how innovative business models can effectively address poverty, inequality, and environmental challenges—core concerns of SDG 1: No Poverty. Through impactful keynote sessions and paper discussions, students gained a deeper understanding of how entrepreneurship can serve as a tool for social transformation rather than mere profit generation. The dialogue encouraged participants to think beyond traditional business frameworks, inspiring them to design sustainable solutions that empower marginalised communities. The seminar also fostered critical thinking and collaborative learning, motivating students to align their professional aspirations with social responsibility. By combining academic rigour with real-world inspiration, the event cultivated a generation of socially conscious changemakers committed to building a more inclusive and equitable society.







#### Hana Scholarship 2024 Awarding Ceremony by Hana Bank, South Korea, conducted at Christ University 29 November 2024

Venue: Auditorium, Central campus

No. of Participants: 300

On 29 November 2024, the Hana Scholarship Awarding Ceremony 2024 was held at CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, organised by the Scholarship and Fellowship Support Cell in collaboration with the Centre for Korean Studies. The event was inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Dr Fr. Joseph C C and graced by Mr Dae Ki Hong, CEO of Hana Bank, Chennai. Twenty deserving students received the Hana Nanum Foundation – Hana Bank (Chennai-Korea) Scholarship, supporting meritorious learners from financially weaker backgrounds. The ceremony reinforced the values of compassion, inclusivity and shared growth, inspiring the audience to recognise education as a key pathway out of poverty. By promoting equal opportunities and celebrating academic perseverance, the event underscored the University's commitment to Sustainable Development Goal 1 – No Poverty, highlighting education's transformative role in building a more equitable society.





#### Guest Talk on: "Employment and Poverty under Neo-liberal Capitalism" Discussion on The Book Titled "Beyond Liberalism" 23 September 2024

Venue: Auditorium, Yeshwanthpur Campus No. of Participants:

On 23 September 2024, the Department of Economics, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Yeshwanthpur Campus, organised a Guest Talk on "Employment and Poverty under Neo-liberal Capitalism" and a discussion on the book "Beyond Liberalism." The session examined how neo-liberal policies emphasising market freedom and reduced state intervention have impacted employment security and income distribution. The speaker highlighted the growing challenges of inequality and the need for inclusive economic frameworks that ensure fair wages and social protection. Students and faculty actively engaged in discussions on alternative models for sustainable and equitable development. The event reinforced the University's commitment to Sustainable Development Goal 1 – No Poverty, by promoting awareness and dialogue on strategies to combat poverty through just and people-centred economic approaches.





#### Inauguration Ceremony Centre for Social Action 1 August 2024

**Venue: Bangalore Yeshwanthpur Campus** 

No. of Participants: 100

On 01 August 2024, the Centre for Social Action (CSA) at CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Yeshwanthpur Campus, held its Inauguration Ceremony, marking the beginning of another year of student-led community engagement and social initiatives. The event emphasised the importance of youth participation in addressing social inequalities and uplifting marginalised communities through education, livelihood programs, and empowerment activities. By encouraging students to work directly with underprivileged groups, CSA fosters awareness, empathy, and a sense of responsibility toward inclusive development. These initiatives directly support Sustainable Development Goal 1 – No Poverty by reducing socio-economic disparities, promoting sustainable livelihoods, and empowering individuals to achieve financial independence. The ceremony served as an inspiration for students to become active contributors to poverty alleviation and community transformation.



#### Insurance Excellence Award by Insurance Institute of India 21 March 2024

Venue: Auditorium, Central Campus No. of Participants:

On 21 March 2024, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore Central Campus, hosted the Insurance Excellence Award Ceremony in collaboration with the Insurance Institute of India. The event recognised outstanding student achievements in the field of insurance and financial services, celebrating academic excellence and professional competence. The motto behind the award is to promote financial literacy, risk awareness, and social security-key factors in building a resilient economy. By encouraging young professionals to contribute to inclusive insurance practices, the initiative aims to extend financial protection to vulnerable populations who are often excluded from formal safety nets. This aligns closely with Sustainable Development Goal 1 - No Poverty, as accessible and affordable insurance safeguards individuals and families from financial shocks, supports sustainable livelihoods and helps reduce poverty by ensuring economic stability in times of crisis.





#### Health and Basic Living Initiatives at Christ University

**Venue:** Central Campus **No. of Participants:** 17

Christ (Deemed to be University) actively advances SDG 1: No Poverty by enhancing health, nutrition, and living standards within and beyond its campus. Through its Health Centres and outreach programmes, the University conducts medical camps, regular health check-ups, and awareness drives on hygiene, nutrition, and preventive healthcare for students and nearby communities. The Centre for Social Action (CSA) furthers this mission by promoting early childhood care, maternal health and community hygiene in rural areas, addressing child mortality and malnutrition. Beyond healthcare, Christ University's community development initiatives improve sanitation, provide access to safe drinking water, and create sustainable livelihood opportunities. By reducing the financial strain of illness and empowering individuals with knowledge for healthier living, the University strengthens social well-being and economic resilience. These integrated efforts reflect Christ University's commitment to eradicating poverty through holistic, health-focused and sustainable community development.









## Christ University's Commitment to SDG 1: Alleviating Poverty (2023-24)

Christ (Deemed to be University) demonstrates its strong commitment to SDG 1: No Poverty through sustainable education, empowerment, and community development initiatives. The Child Sponsorship Programme (CSP 2023) provided financial and academic support to children from marginalised communities, ensuring continued access to education. Donation drives, such as the International Day of the Girl Child 2023, encouraged students to contribute clothes, books, and sanitary products to families in need. Through the Centre for Social Action (CSA), the University also conducted livelihood training and women's empowerment activities across rural and urban communities. These efforts reflect Christ University's dedication to uplifting vulnerable groups, reducing inequality, and promoting inclusive growth-creating long-term pathways toward self-reliance and a life of dignity.









## Thrift and Handicraft Stall 13 October 2023

**Venue: Garden Street, Central Campus** 

No. of Participants: 102

The Ecological Diversity Cell, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), organised a Thrift and Handicraft Stall on 13 October 2023 at Garden Street, in collaboration with Wasted360, to promote sustainability and social responsibility. The event featured eco-friendly products such as thrifted clothes, handmade crafts, and pre-loved books, drawing active participation from students and faculty. Aligned with SDG 1: No Poverty, the initiative emphasised affordable access to quality goods and encouraged reuse as a means to reduce financial and environmental strain. By promoting thrift culture and creative entrepreneurship, it supported income generation, resource efficiency, and inclusivity. The event fostered a sense of community and compassion, empowering students to recognise how sustainable living can contribute to poverty reduction and a more equitable society.







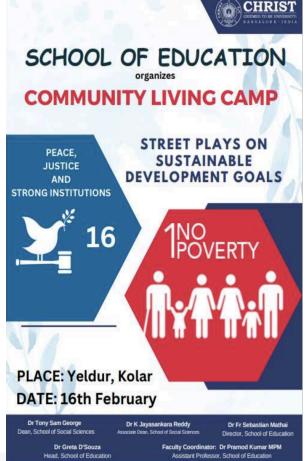
#### Community Living Camp 17th February 2024

**Venue:** Yeldur, Kolar **No. of Participants:** 80

The School of Education, in collaboration with the Centre for Social Action (CSA), organised a two-day Community Living Camp at Yeldur, Kolar, on 17-18 February 2024 to expose pre-service teachers to rural life and inclusive community development. Students conducted village surveys and performed street plays on child safety, equal learning opportunities, financial literacy, and welfare schemes—raising awareness of resources that help families overcome socio-economic challenges. Sessions at Mahatma Gandhi National High School addressed cyber safety, stress management, substance abuse, and study skills through interactive activities. The camp strengthened students' understanding of rural educational inequalities and deepened their empathy and civic responsibility. By promoting financial awareness, social inclusion, and access to government benefits, the initiative contributed to SDG-1: No Poverty, supporting pathways for community empowerment and long-term development.







#### Child sponsorship program August 2024

**Venue:** Central Campus **No. of Participants:** 17

The students and faculty of the Department of Computer Science collectively contributed ₹1,05,000 to support the education of 17 children through the Child Sponsorship Program 2024, organised by the Centre for Social Action (CSA). This initiative highlights the department's commitment to social responsibility, compassion, and meaningful community engagement. By mobilising resources to uplift underprivileged children, the department actively supports inclusive education and equal opportunities. The initiative strongly aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals-SDG 1: No Poverty, by supporting economically deprived families; SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities, by bridging educational gaps; and SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals, through collaboration between academia and civil society. This effort reflects how educational institutions can go beyond academics to positively impact society. The contribution not only supports the children's education but also inspires a culture of empathy and collective responsibility among students and faculty for sustainable social change.

