**REPORT OF ACTIVITIES OF RESEARCH PROMOTION COUNCIL 2017-18**

* 16-member committee with Principal as the chairperson, Co ordinator- Dr. Anu Anto; Secretary- Dr. Liss Marie Das & faculty representatives from each department and a student representative.
* The inauguration of activities of this academic year (2017-18) was done on 09-06-17 by **Dr. Ajay Sekhar**, Associate Professor in English, Sree Sankara University of Sanskrit, Kalady. He delivered a talk on “Philosophical Speculations on Knowledge”.
* The **Book of Abstracts** of paper presentations that was conducted in 2016-17 were released on the same day.



* The release of ***The Last Emeralds*** (a book translated from Malayalam) by Ms. Jasmine Gonsalvez, Department of English of our college were also released on the inaugural day.

* **Dr. Deepthi Menon**, Professor at the Amrita Centre for Nanosciences & Molecular Medicine, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeethaminteracted with the students in a program titled **Coffee with a scientist** on August 14th, 2017. This was organized under the auspices of Research Promotion Council of the College by Departments of Mathematics and Statistics. 15 students interacted with the scientist.



* Organized **Campus Bird Count**, in association with Department of Zoology from Feb 16-19, 2018. This is a sub event of Greater Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) organized by Citizen scientists across the world. 25 species were uploaded to ebird.org,citizen science website.

 

* Talk by Dr. Asha M.S., Professor, Department of Physics, CUSAT on Current Trends in Thin Film Technology on March 9, 2018
* **Five paper presentation sessions** were conducted- 14 papers both by faculty and students were presented during these sessions.



* Two issues of Peer reviewed multidisciplinary journal- **DISCOURSE** (ISSN 2321-0214) were published
* Journal has applied for its inclusion in the M.G. University approved journals
* Athira Venugopal of 3rd year B.Sc. Botany was awarded as the Best Paper Presenter of the Monthly Paper Presentation series held during 2016-17.  