



## **RADAR (Rural Action Development And Research)** Arul Anandar College, Karumathur – 625 514

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### **RADAR REPORT 2018- 2019**

#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE UNIT**

- ❖ The acronym RADAR stands for Rural Action Development And Research. It is an autonomous extension unit of Arul Anandar College.

#### **❖ ORIGIN OR RADAR**

The initial realization that the study of Rural Development would remain incomplete if it did not actively demonstrate the theoretical understanding in practice through extension programmes. It has necessitated the department of Rural Development Science along with the management of Arul Anandar College to reflect on and conceptualize the idea of RADAR.

The Centre RADAR was inaugurated on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 1986 in a simple but meaningful manner in the presence of Shri. Devandra Kumar, the then Vice-Chancellor of Gandhigram Deemed University.

Rev. Fr, Stephen Jesuraj Rodrigo S.J., was the First Director of RADAR and Fr. Michael Doss S.J., was the joint Director of RADAR.

Rev. Dr. Maria Augustine S.J., is the present Director of Radar Centre.

## **Vision**

- ❖ To bring holistic development among rural women living in and around Chellampatti Panchayat Union.

## **Goal**

- ❖ To empower the uneducated rural women by providing necessary training and job opportunities.

## **Activities**

1. Tailoring course for the rural women.
2. Type Writing course for the rural women, college and school students.
3. Summer programme in local School Students.
4. Social awareness programme in Radar Students.
5. Formation of tuition Centre in Jeyaraj Nagar Village.

## **Tailoring Course:**

In RADAR tailoring Course the regular tailoring classes were divided into batches. This year the first batch classes were conducted from January 2018 to June 2018. 36 students benefited out of this. The second batch classes were conducted from July 2018 to December 2018. 28 students benefited out of this. All the 64 students were given certificates for the completion of course.





### **Typewriting Training**

During the summer vacation of the academic year 2018-2019, 293 students had got benefited out of Typewriting training. The training was held as three batches, 69 students were benefited in the first batch(April-May). 95 students were benefited in the second batch(June-October). 129 students were benefited in the third batch(November-March).

### **Typewriting Examination:**

Tamilnadu Government Typewriting Examination was held at Kokulam Tamilnadu Polytechnic Centre on 05.09.2018 and 06.12.2018. 30 students from RADAR centre had attended the exam. 17 students had got passed in the undergraduate level exam and 3 students had got passed in the postgraduate level exam. Totally 30 students had got passed in the exam that was held on 05.09.2018 and 06.12.2018.

Tamilnadu Government Typewriting Examination was held at Kokulam Tamilnadu Polytechnic Centre on 23.02.2019 and 24.02.2019. 22 students from RADAR centre had attended the exam. 7 students had got passed in the undergraduate level exam and 7 students had got passed in the postgraduate level exam. Totally 14 students had got passed in the exam that was held on 23.02.2019 and 24.02.2019.





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**Summer Camp - 2018**

Arul Anandar College conducted a week long Educational Summer Program for the rural dalit students in and around Karumathur from 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018 to 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018. This camp was conducted under the recommendations, guidance and supervision of Rev.Fr. Mahalingam. The camp was inaugurated by **Mr. Jayabalan** the clerk of Kovilankulampanchayat. Ten members actively involved and co-organized this Eight day program. Among them four were college staff members and the rest were student volunteers. Around Sixty students (boys and girls) participated in this summer camp. The students were divided into three separate groups for an efficient teaching and tutoring. The camp was coordinated by Sch. Praveen SJ and Sch. Fazil SJ and was assisted by Radar coordinator Mr. Muniyandi

High school and higher secondary students were mainly concentrated with spoken English and basic grammar to develop their Communication skills in English. As well as they were taught Subjects (Maths, Science, Physics, Chemistry, Computer) to improve their knowledge in major subjects. Well-equipped class rooms were offered by the college to handle classes. The basic Computer Skills were also taught. Each student was given individual desktop computers to operate on during practical hours. Students were very enthusiastic to learn and cope themselves with learning and acquiring skills. The scheduled time table helped them to cone themselves to punctual attendance and to manage time.

This year we conducted Residential Camp, 25 students were stayed in the hostels. The inmates were given special training like voice culture, yoga, and special movies were screened to boost up their energy. They were divided into four groups, in the alternative days they were asked to perform drama, skit, singing and dancing. It was very helpful for the student to come out from fearfulness and anxiousness to show their talents to the crowd, and the winners were encouraged with prizes during the valedictory function of the Summer Camp.

The classes began at 8:30am and got over at 4pm. The whole day was engaged with various activities. Lunch, Tea and snacks twice a day were provided free of cost. Every day at the end of the last class general evaluation was conducted to know the Children's view regarding food and facilities. Separate evaluations were conducted on alternate days among the coordinators to have lively interaction with the students during classes.

Valedictory function was held at Audio Visual Hall. The Radar director Rev. Fr. Mahalingam delivered the presidential address and encouraged the students. Cultural events by the students especially drama in English made the guests to admire the fruits of the summer camp.





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**Excursion**

On behalf of Arul Anandar College RADAR, 11.09.2018(Tuesday), 25 students from Tailoring and Typewriting training were taken to a one day picnic to Meenakshi Amman Temple, Madapuram Bathrakali Amman Temple, Pandi Temple, ThirumalaiNayak Mahal, Gandhi Museum and Rajaji Park.









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### **Ayudha Pooja**

On 17.09.2018, Ayudha Pooja was celebrated at RADAR Centre. Mr. Muniyandi, co-ordinator of RADAR welcomed the gathering. Mrs. Leena, staff nurse of Arul Anandar College's Health centre expressed her words of wishes to all the students. Rev. Dr. Maria Augustin. S.J, Director expressed his felicitation. Mrs. Dhanam, tailoring teacher proposed vote of thanks.







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**Christmas Day Celebration**

On 22.12.2018, Christmas day celebration was held at the RADAR center. Rev. Dr. Maria Augustin. S.J enlightened the gathering by speaking about the birth of Christ. Then the celebration had got ended with a delightful lunch.







### **Pongal Celebration and Valediction of Tailoring Training**

On 09.01.2019 morning by 11.00 Pongal Celebration and Valediction of Tailoring Training were held at Arul Anandar College's RADAR center. Mr. Muniyandi, co-ordinator welcomed the gathering. Rev. Dr. Maria Augustin. S.J., Director of RADAR enlightened the gathering by speaking about the pongal ceremony and the purpose of celebrating it and honoured 18 students with completion certificates. Mrs. Vanitha, former student of Tailoring Training had shared her experience. Mrs. Periyapillai, Typewriting trainer proposed vote of thanks.



#### **Tuition Centres:**

An evening tuition centre was opened in Jeyarajnagar colony for the benefit of Arunthathiyar boys and girls. A well-qualified teacher was appointed to handle evening tuitions where 26 students attend classes from 5.30 pm to 7.15 pm all days except government holidays.

Rev. Dr. Maria Augustin, SJ

Director, RADAR