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The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple. *Psalm 19:7*

## Shri Bezwada Wilson delivers the First Luminary Lecture



To commemorate the Centenary of Medical Education, the Institution has invited eminent personalities from different walks of life under the **Luminary Lecture Series**. The aim of this series of Lectures is to listen and imbibe from people, who by their work and life, have empowered and transformed societies, have contributed to our national life or are role models for the youth.

**Shri Bezwada Wilson**, *Ramon Magsaysay Recipient 2016* and National Convenor of the *Safai Karamchhari Andolan*, delivered the First Luminary Lecture on February 28, 2018 in the Scudder Auditorium. For over three decades, Shri Bezwada Wilson has fought an extraordinary and inspiring battle for the eradication of manual scavenging. He was born to a family of manual scavengers....and wept as a young adult when he witnessed the unparalleled indignity of this profession. This led to the formation of the *Safai Karamchhari Andolan* that fights not only against manual scavenging, but all forms of caste oppression. He was awarded the *Ramon Magsaysay Award* in 2016 for his

efforts towards '*asserting the inalienable right to a life of human dignity*'. His talk was centred on the basic premise of '*speaking the truth*'. That is the principle on which he and his colleagues have worked towards making manual scavenging a crime, and dedicating their lives towards creating an equitable and just society. Shri Wilson spoke movingly about the challenges he has faced along the way- a lived reality that moved and overwhelmed many in the audience. '*One person,*' he said, '*has to be willing to stand against the flow*'. That is all it takes to start a movement and a change. With his humility and passion for a cause to which he has devoted his entire life, he challenged the audience to question, think, act and build an India where every citizen is truly equal, and enjoys the right to a life of dignity.

Following his lecture, Shri Wilson engaged with the audience in an interactive session that was moderated by Dr. K.S. Jacob, Professor, Psychiatry. Earlier in the programme, the Principal, Dr. Anna B. Pulimood spoke about hundred years of medical education in CMC, and the Director, Dr. J.V. Peter

**Special Prayers : March 04 - 10, 2018**

**College of Nursing  
College of Nursing Library  
Community Health Nursing &**

**Student Nurses Hostel :**

Dr. Selva Titus Chacko and Staff

**Hospital :** Asha Kiran Hospital, Lamtaput.

**Sunday Services : March 11, 2018**

6.00 pm : **Scudder Auditorium**  
Dr. Gladwin Khanapur

6.30 pm : **Hospital Chapel**  
Ms. Saramma Kuruvilla  
(Holy Communion Service)

5.00 pm : **Friendship Chapel, KPTR Campus**  
Dr. Patricia

**Welcome:**

**Dr. Rohin Mittal**, Associate Professor, Department of General Surgery Unit-II, on his return from study leave on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2018.

**Days to remember :**

International Womens Day - March 08

World Kidney Day - March 08

welcomed and introduced Shri Wilson. He was presented with a souvenir by the Medical Superintendent, Dr. Prasad Mathews, and a citation by the Principal, Dr. Anna B. Pulimood. Professor Prathap Tharyan, retired faculty of the Department of Psychiatry honoured Shri Wilson with a traditional *ponnadai*. The Lecture was well attended by faculty, staff and students of CMC, as well as students from local colleges and schools, and friends and well-wishers of CMC from the city. The Second Lecture in the Luminary Lecture Series will be delivered by *Padma Shri* Mr. Romulus Whitaker, herpetologist and wildlife conservationist, who founded the Madras Crocodile Bank and the Madras Snake Park and his wife, Ms. Janaki Lenin, writer and wildlife film producer on April 4, 2018 at 6 pm in Scudder Auditorium.

## Educational Initiatives

### Regional workshop on "Hospital Dietetics: Role of Nutrition in Patient Care", organised

A Regional workshop on "Hospital Dietetics: Role of Nutrition in Patient Care" was organised by the Department of Dietetics on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2018. The workshop was attended by 111 Nutrition students from various colleges in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka. The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Deepak Abraham, Associate Director (HR) in the presence of Dr. George Koshy, Deputy Medical Superintendent, Dr. Solomon Satishkumar Vice Principal, Mr. Sunny Kuruvilla, Head of Purchase, Mrs. Ilavarasi, Deputy Nursing Superintendent. Mrs. Manimegalai, in-charge delivered the welcome address. The former heads of the Department, Mrs. Rebekha Mani, Mrs. Mary Mammen and Mrs. Sarah Jacob were present as the guests of Honour.



The objective of the workshop was to emphasise on the role of dietician in Healthcare and to learn about disease-specific therapeutic diets. Interesting lectures were delivered by Dr. Meenakshi Bajaj, President of Indian Dietetic Association Chennai chapter, Dr. Deivasigamani Revathi, Professor & Head of Food and Nutrition, Vellore, Mrs. Marina Elizabeth Alex, Chief Dietitian MMM hospital, Dr. Subramani, Professor and Head of Critical Care, Dr. Sarah Mathai Professor of Paediatric Endocrinology and Dieticians Mrs. Manimegalai, Mrs. Jayalakshmi, Mrs. Kavitha, Mrs. Anitha and Mrs. Priya.

### CMC Annual Symposium



The fifth CMC Annual Symposium was conducted by the Departments of Pathology, Transfusion Medicine & Immuno-hematology, and Cytogenetics from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2018. In keeping with the theme of this year's symposium, 'Changing Paradigms in the Practice of Pathology – an Interdisciplinary Collaborative Approach', twenty faculty from various countries spoke on newer dimensions in pathological diagnosis, education and laboratory management. In addition to the lectures, there

were 'Meet the Expert' meetings that allowed participants to interact with faculty in smaller focus groups. Over four hundred participants from India and abroad attended the symposium which included a quiz and a poster competition. The symposium was accredited 25 credit points by the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University.

### FROST – Front Office Security Training programme

The Department of Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training and Development and the Security Department designed and framed a training programme for security personnel called Front Office Security Training (FROST) programme. This training program was a long felt need to address the soft skills training requirement for the 765 CMC security personnel with the aim to bring about a significant difference in attitude, behaviour and communication among security personnel keeping the CMC Vision, Mission and Purpose statement in mind. This programme also included soft skills and communication skills in Hindi and Bengali with an emphasis on the need to be firm but friendly.



The training was held on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018, inaugurated by Dr. Samuel N.J. David, Sr. Manager & Head, Staff Training Department. Mr. Chellasamy, Chief Security Officer addressed the gathering and offered felicitations. Security personnel from the various campuses of CMC Participated and were benefited. The programme involved lectures to create a transformation among the security personnel and to enhance a patient friendly environment in the hospital. These sessions were handled by Mr. Praveen, Training Consultant, E Square Training Consultancy, Chennai and internal resource persons Dr. Samuel N.J. David, Sr. Manager & Department Head, Mr. Chellasamy, Chief Security Officer, Ms. Sonia Valas, Officer (Admin.), Ms. Rachita Rout, Chaplain, Ms. V.S. Jayavani, Receptionist and Mr. Imran J.B, Receptionist.

## Annual workshop on Interphase Fluorescent in Situ Hybridization (FISH) organised



The Cytogenetics Unit conducted the tenth edition of its annual workshop on interphase Fluorescent in Situ Hybridization (FISH) from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2018. The FISH procedure is a useful tool for the diagnosis of various genetic disorders, and in the workup of malignancies. 21 attendees from India and abroad received comprehensive training in the various steps of the 'FISH' procedure and its interpretation. The workshop was credited with 30 credit points by the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University.

## Hospital Service Expansion

### Inauguration of The Institutional Review Board Meeting Room

The Institutional review board meeting room (IRB) was inaugurated on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 by the Director Dr. J.V. Peter, Principal Dr. Anna B. Pulimood and the Vice Principal (Research) Dr. Biju George. The Principal welcomed the gathering and also thanked the administration for granting permission for the project. Rev. Arul Dhas offered the opening prayer and dedicated the facility. The Director in his address highlighted the role of IRB in the advancement of research within the institution. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Biju George .



## Memoranda

- **Dr. John Roshan Jacob**, Professor of Cardiology is appointed as Academic Officer with effect from 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018 for a four-year term.
- **Dr. Rajiv C. Michael**, Professor of ENT, is appointed as Head of the Department of Head & Neck Surgery and Head & Neck Surgery (ENT) Unit-I with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018 for a four-year term.
- **Dr. D.J. Christopher**, Professor & Head of Pulmonary Medicine Unit-I is appointed as Head of the Department of Pulmonary Medicine with effect from 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018 during the period when Dr. T. Balamugesh is on sabbatical leave.
- **Dr. Richa Gupta**, Professor of Pulmonary Medicine is appointed as Acting Head of Pulmonary Medicine Unit-II with effect from 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018 until further notice.
- **Dr. Sunil Agarwal**, Professor of Vascular Surgery, is appointed as Head of the Department of Vascular Surgery with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 until further notice.

## Sponsorship for Staff Children - Admissions 2018-2019

Applications are invited from staff for sponsorship of their children for admission to the various training courses in the Christian Medical College, Vellore for the Academic Year 2018 - 2019. Forms will be available in the Directorate from 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2018 onwards. Please produce your ID Card at the time of receiving the application.

**A. Eligibility:** (Cl.Min.No.5188-11-79; 7449:6:93 & 9282:1-2003)

1. Only children of confirmed C.M.C staff members who:

(a) have put in 10 years of continuous service including period of probation and are currently in service in any capacity in the Institution as on 30<sup>th</sup> June of the year under consideration; (OR) (b) have retired after at least 15 years of continuous service in the Institution, or have taken voluntary retirement after 25 years of continuous service; (OR) (c) have been discharged from service on medical grounds after at least 15 years of continuous service; (OR) (d) have died during service after at least 10 years of continuous service in this Institution are eligible to apply for sponsorship.

2. Legally adopted children of staff members whose adoption was finalized at least five years before the date of application are also eligible for sponsorship, subject to the above criteria.

3. Regarding a confirmed staff member who died during service to the institution and whose spouse has been given a job in CMC in place of the deceased staff member, dependent children of the deceased staff member will be eligible for CMC sponsorship if the cumulative years of service of the deceased staff member and his/her spouse (including probation and confirmed periods) exceeds 10 years; in case the child applying for sponsorship was legally adopted by the deceased staff member, the adoption of the child should have been finalised :

(a) prior to the death of the deceased staff member and (b) atleast 5 years before the date of application for sponsorship.

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**B. Conditions for sponsorship of staff children (Cl. Min.5759:3-84)**

(a) Only one child from a family can be admitted in a year to any single course. (b) Children from the same family can, however, be admitted to different course in the same year. (c) Sponsorship is allowed from only one sponsoring body, so children applying for C.M.C. sponsorship cannot also be sponsored by one of the supporting Churches of the Council. (d) Where there is more than one sponsorship obtained, the one received first which satisfies the criteria will be accepted. (e) No withdrawal of first received valid sponsorship is allowed.

*Staff children, even with CMC sponsorship, must still meet the minimum academic qualifications for the courses for which they are applying. Staff are urged to check the prospectus to ensure the eligibility of their children for the various courses before submitting their applications.*

**Important deadlines:** Last date for submitting sponsorship application forms - **27/03/2018, 4.30 pm.**

Last date for submission of copy of self attested mark sheet of qualifying examination - **30/05/2018, 4.30 pm.**

*(Please note as per Tamil Nadu Government Orders – for MBBS admission First and single attempt marks only will be considered).* Above mentioned to be submitted to the Director, Christian Medical College, Vellore.

**Medical Post - Doctoral Fellowships Admission - 2018**

Applications are invited for the Medical Post-Doctoral Fellowship Courses as given in the admission bulletin. Admission Bulletin and Application form can be accessed only on-line at the website <http://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in/> The last date for online application submission with payment is **2<sup>nd</sup> April 2018.**

The last date for submission of supporting documents, where applicable, is **9<sup>th</sup> April, 2018.**

REGISTRAR e-mail: [registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in)

**Situations Vacant**

**1(a) Senior Resident with MD (Anaesthesia) / MD (Gen. Medicine) / MD (Pul. Medicine) for the Department of Neurological Sciences (Neuro ICU)**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (subject to availability). Age limit : < 40 years.

**1(b) Assistant Professor Gr.II with MD (Anaesthesia) / MD (Gen. Medicine) / MD (Pul. Medicine) for the Department of Neurological Sciences (Neuro ICU)**

Experience should have at least one year teaching exp. as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI recognized teaching institution.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (subject to availability).

**1(c) Assistant Professor Gr.I with DM (Neruology) / M.Ch. (Neurosurgery) for the Department of Neurological Sciences (Neuro ICU)**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (subject to availability).

Apply with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and full address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002 or by e-mail: [princi@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi@cmcvellore.ac.in) on or before **March 17, 2018** for items 1(a), 1(b) and 1(c).

**2. Staff III Dental Hygienist for the CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus**

Qualifications : H.Sc. (+ 2) or equivalent + Pass in Dental Hygienist Course + Pass in Dental Assistance Course and registered with State Dental Council. Salary scale: As per institutional rules. Age limit : 35 years.

Job description : Chairside Assisting, Scaling etc.,

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Applications will close on **March 19, 2018** for item 2.

**3. Clerk Typist Gr.IV**

Qualifications : Graduate (regular college) + English typing Lower (or) Higher + D.C.A. with one year CMC training passed.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Those who have completed "One year orientation training programme for "Clerk Typist" only need apply.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Applications will close on **March 07, 2018** for item 3.