<u>UNAI – ASPIRE 2014-15 CHRISTIAN COLLLEGE CHAPTER</u>

Inauguration

The United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI) is a global initiative that aligns institutions of higher education with the United Nations in furthering the realization of the organization through activities and research in a shared culture of intellectual social responsibility. The student branch of the UN Academic Impact is known as ASPIRE 'Action by Students to Promote Innovative and Reform through Education'. It is a student driven initiative and actively embodies UNAI's principles within student communities around the world.

Christian College, Chengannur became the first college in kerala University and the second college in Kerala to be conferred with the UNAI membership. The formal conferring of membership and inauguration of the chapter was conducted on 31st October 2014. The meeting was presided over by our manager Rt Rev Zacharias Mar Theophilus Suffragan Metropolitan. The chief guest of the day was Mr Saji Thomas from the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management, United Nations. The UNAI Membership certificate was handed over to the manager by Mr. Saji Thomas.

Seminar on 'Initiatives by Academic Institutions'

Mr. Saji Thomas from the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management, United Nations conducted a seminar on initiatives by academic institutions to the students of the college on31st October 2014. He gave a detailed account on the 10 principles and working of UNAI ASPIRE program. The academic initiative started in the year 2010 under the patronage of UN Secretary General. The program was followed by an, interactive session where he interacted with students from various departments, answering their queries.

Essay writing Competition

An essay writing competition was held for the students of the college on the topic, "Relevance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights" on 10th December, World Human Rights Day. Ms Roja Roy of I DC Economics won the first place in the competition.

Seminar on Human Rights

A seminar on Human Rights was organised under the UNAI on the world Human Rights day. There were two speakers for the day,. Dr. George Alex, political science professor and human rights activist from St Thomas College, Kozhencherry, spoke of the need to protect and promote human rights in different walks of life. Dr.Biju Thomas, Political Science Professor of our college enlightened the students on the role UN have been playing in protecting human rights.

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