

**Progress Report 2020-2021**

Dr.Ambedkar Chair, Annamalai University conducted various programmes and activities for the welfare of Downtrodden, Scheduled Caste and Backward Class students of Annamalai University. Also, it incorporates with various central government organizations to provide various socio-economic development schemes to the downtrodden people of the society. The sum of **Rs.13,02,419** has been received as Demand draft on October 2020 from DAF, New Delhi under the salary head for the financial year 2018-19.

**Activity 1:**

National Live Webinar on 05.06.2020 (Friday) entitled “**Impact of Covid-19 on Students, Parents and Teachers**”. **Ms.Sruthi Sridharan, Psychologist & Dr.T.Santhanam, Rehabilitation Psychologist & Mental Health Specialist, Director, SDS Academy of Behavioural Sciences** handled the session on psychological issues of attending online classes and stress management and how to make the online class joyful. More than 300 participants from various states of India attended the session.

**Activity 2:**

National Webinar on ‘**Transformation of Social Ethos-Covid’s Effect**’ on **18<sup>th</sup> June 2020**. **Dr. J. Vincent Comraj**, Adjunct Professor, Tamilnadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University, Chennai and **Shri. K. Narayan**, Chairperson cum Managing Director, National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC) and National Scheduled castes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC), New Delhi handled the sessions on issues, challenges and opportunities in rural India and youths in the Covid-19 pandemic situation.

**Activity 3:**

National Webinar in Tamil language about Dr.B.R.Ambedkar entitled “**Bharatha Sirpi Babasaheb**” on 01.07.2020 (Wednesday). **Pudukottai Dr.R.Ramanadhan** delivered the special lecture about Dr.Ambedkar and his contribution to the society as a law maker of India. More than 100 participants from the various states of India attended the online session.

**Activity 4:**

National webinar on “**Research Methodology**” organized for the Research scholars, on 22.07.2020(Wednesday). Dr. **Dr.S.Kumaran, Dean-Research**, Periyar Maniammai Institute of Science & Technology, Thanjavur handled the session on Technical writing, preparing research proposals, various funding agencies available in Indian & Abroad and Tools for various research platforms. **Dr.M.Senthil Vadivel, Freelance Data Analyst cum Psychologist**, Chidambaram handled the session on framing research title for Social Science research. More than 125 research scholars participated in the live session.

**Activity 5:**

The National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC), New Delhi has sanctioned **Rs.5,59,300/-** for the construction of **Upgradation of existing Fish Drying Yard** in Mudasalodai village, Cuddalore Dist., Tamil Nadu. **Bhoomi Pooja** was held on **9<sup>th</sup> September 2020** and we have completed the construction work successfully within 2 months. The **opening ceremony** was held on **6<sup>th</sup> November 2020**.

**Activity 6:**

A Research work (Long/Short term) entitled “**Capacity building for Scheduled Caste women with Entrepreneurship skills in selected Taluks of Cuddalore District**” started on December 2019 and it was completed on November 2020

**Activity 7:**

A new Research Work (Long/Short term) entitled “**The effects of Online Homeschooling on Children, Parents and Teachers during the COVID-19 Pandemic – A study in Villupuram district**” has started on November 2020 and completed on July 2021.

**Activity 8:**

National live webinar on **Indian Constitution Day – 2020** organized on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2020 (Thursday). Dr.B.Venugopal, Professor & Dean, Legal Affairs, University of Madras delivered a lecture entitled “Dr.Ambedkar’s views on separation of power”. More than 100 participants from various institutions participated in this event.

**Activity 10:**

Organized Dr.B.R.Ambedkar’s **65<sup>th</sup> Mahaparinirvan Diwas** (Memorial Day) on **21.01.2021** (Thursday) in Gokhale Hall, Annamalai University. **Thiru.K.Pandian**, MLA, Chidambaram Constituency was the Chief Guest and Thiru. R. Shanmugavadivel, Public and Debate speaker was the Guest speaker of the programme. More than 100 teaching, non-teaching staffs of our university and 100 public people participated in the event.

**Activity 11:**

National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation, New Delhi sanctioned Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) for the **Evaluation of Credit schemes of NBCFDC and the Impact of the socio-economic development of beneficiaries in the state of Kerala**”. The duration of the study is from February 2021 to June 2021.

**Activity 12:**

One day workshop entitled “**Women Empowerment – The key to Social and Economic Development**” on the occasion of International Women’s day was held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 in Libra hall, Main Library, AU. **Mrs. KANIMOZHI GNANADEVAN**, M.Com., B.Ed., Special Guest offered felicitation. **Dr.W.Jeyaselli**, HoD, Department of Commerce, Government College for Women (Autonomous), Kumbakonam handled the session on ‘Women Education and Employment’. **Dr.S.Gajalakshmi**, Psychiatrist, National Mental Health Programme, Puducherry handled the session on ‘Women Mental Health’. **Dr.R.Saranya**, Professor & Director, CAS in Linguistics handled the session on ‘The Power of Woman’. More than 200 students and 50 faculty members of our university participated in the event.

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