## Thiruvalluvar Government Arts College, Rasipuram PG & Reserch Department of English

## Report on the Memorandum of Understanding with ELT@I CIETTA

06.06.2022 earmarked an important event in the activities of the PG & Research Department of English as it entered into an Memorandum of Understanding with English Language Teachers' Association of India - Chapter of Indian English Teachers Teaching Abroad (ELT@I CIETTA) to train the students in the listening and speaking skills. Dr. P. Mythily, the Head of the Depart of English signed the MoU on behalf of the PG & Research Department of English and Dr. Justin James, President, ELT@I CIETTA signed on behalf of ELT@I CIETTA. Dr. P. Mythily signed the MoU in the presence of Dr. S. Manimegalai, Principal, Thiruvalluvar Government Arts College, Rasipuram and Dr. V. Sadhasivam, Co-ordinator, IQAC, Thiruvalluvar Government Arts College, Rasipuram as witnesses. Dr. Justin James signed it virtually from Nizwa College of Technology, Sultanate of Oman in the presence of Mr. Ramesh Govindarajan and Mr. Gali Christu Raj, members, ELT@I CIETTA as witnesses.

A Oneday International Workshop for the students was held on 16.08.2022 at Thiruvalluvar Meeting Hall when the members of ELT@I CIETTA visited the college. Dr. S. Bangaru, Principal, Thiruvalluvar Government Arts College, Rasipuram presided over the workshop. Dr. P Mythily, Head of the Department of English delivered the welcome address. Dr. Justin James talked on the purpose of the MoU. Dr. Justin James, President, ELT@I CIETTA, Mrs. Lalitha Justin, Mr. Ramesh Govindarajan, and Mr. Gali Christu Raj were the resource persons for the workshop. They imparted basic training on listening and speaking skills to the students. An entry level test on the listening and speaking skills of the students was conducted so that the progress of the students could be measured based on their scores in the entry level test. Dr. R. Geetha proposed the vote of thanks.

Syllabus for the listening speaking programme was framed by ELT@I CIETTA. Classes on improving the listening and speaking skills were held for the students. Tests were conducted for the students after training.

A meeting of the parties entered into the MoU was held online on 14.10.2022 with all its members. The improvement in the skills of the students was discussed and classes and materials for the classes also were talked about.

A workshop for the teachers at the PG & Research Department of English was conducted online on 17.11.2022 with Mrs. Lalitha Justin, Mr. Ramesh Govindarajan, and Mr. Gali Christu Raj as resource persons. They talked about the strategies that could be followed to improve the listening and speaking skills of the students.

The exit test was administered for the students on 05.05.2023. The test was on both of the skills of the students. The scores of the students in the consequent tests show that there is considerable improvement of these skills in the students. 159 students benefitted through this course. Certificates for the students who underwent this course were distributed to the students.

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