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RANK HOLDERS

2005-2006

S.Selvarani	III Rank
T.Usharani	V Rank
T.Manimaran	VII Rank

2008-2009

A.Arumugam	I Rank

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History of the Department

Name of the Course	B.A. History (Aided)
Year of Establishment	1981
Affiliation Granted by	Madurai University, Madurai
Presently Affiliated to	Alagappa University, Karaikudi

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Faculty Members

Sl. No.	Name	Qualification	Designation	Area of Specialization
1	Dr.D.K.Venkatachalapathy	M.A.,M.Phil., Ph.D., Dip. in Archaeology	Associate Professor and Head of the Department	Ancient History
2	Ms. D. Arulmoni Gunavathi	M.A.,M.Phil.,	Associate Professor in History	Modern History
3	Ms.T.Dhanalakshmi	M.A.,M.Phil.,	Assistant Professor of History	Modern History
4	Ms.M.Muthulakshmi	M.A.,M.Phil.,	PTA Guest Lecturer	Modern History

There are three aided staff members and one unaided staff member, who is paid by the management.

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FACILITIES

Library

Reference and Text books are kept in the library. Text books are issued to the students. Every year library is updated with newer books.

Department Library

Books in the department library include reference and text books.

Maps

Historical maps are kept in the department for better learning.

Number of History books in the General Library	1800
Number of History books in the Department Library	301
Number of Maps in the Department	44

The available ICT tools are used in the Teaching-Learning process.

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ACTIVITIES

1. Dr.D.K.Venkatachalapathy **:**Pursued his part time doctoral research and received his doctoral degree from M.K.University on Dec.2008 for his thesis entitled "Folk Religion of Sivaganga District in Tamilnadu: A Cultural Historical Study".

: Completed his UGC sponsored Minor research project.

: Presented a paper on "Eco-tourism in Sivagangai District with special reference to the sacred groves of Kanadukathan"in the State level seminar conducted by Tamillnadu State Council for Higher Education and Department of Commerce of Arumugam Pillai Seethai Ammal College, Tiruppattur on 5th April 2010.

:Participated in the National Seminar on IQAC organized by the IQAC of Arumugam Pillai

	Seethai Ammal College, Tiruppattur between 21st and 22nd , October 2010.
	: Participated in the Curriculm designing for U.G. History, in the capacity of the member of the Board of Studies of Alagappa University for two consecutive times.
	:Served as a member of the NAAC committee of APSA College, Tiruppattur, 2005 for getting accreditation. He is also one of the members of the present NAAC drafting committee of APSA college, Tiruppattur organized for getting re-accreditation on 2011-12.
	: Member of the IQAC, Arumugam Pillai Seethai Ammal College, Tiruppattur
2.Ms.D.Arulmoni Gunavathi	**:**Participated in the Curriculm designing for U.G. History, in the capacity of the member of the Board of Studies of Alagappa University.

	:Participated in the National Seminar on IQAC organized by the IQAC of Arumugam Pillai Seethai Ammal College, Tiruppattur between 21st and 22nd , October 2010. **:**Served as the N.S.S. Coordinator in the academic year 2005-06.
3.Dr.M.K.Ganesan (Voluntarily Retired from Service)	:Presented a paper on "Dreams and Creams of *Vallal* Dr.Alagappa Chettiar" in the South Indian History Congress, held at Anantapur between 19th and 21st January, 2007. : Presented a paper on Dr.RM.Alagappa Chettiar: the Educational Revolutionist of Karaikudi" in the South Indian History Congress held at . M.S. University, Tirunelveli between 30th Jan. and 1st Feb. 2008. :Pursued his doctoral research and received his doctoral degree from M.K. University, on June 2010.

4.Ms.T.Dhanalakshmi	Presented a paper on Micro Women Entrepreneurs: A Gateway for Women Empowerment" in the State Level seminar on "Rural Development:Problems and Challenges" held at Arumugam Pillai Seethai Ammal College, Tiruppattur between 27th and 28th October 2010. **:**Participated in the National Seminar on IQAC organized by the IQAC of Arumugam Pillai Seethai Ammal College, Tiruppattur between 21st and 22nd , October 2010. Participated in the Orientation Programme for College Teachers conducted by the Bharathidasan University, Trichy between 11.11.2011 and 8.12.2011.
5. Ms.M.Muthulakshmi	Participated in the International Seminar on "Buddhism, Non-violence and Peace" conducted by Centre for Buddhist Studies, Madras University between 16th and 17th Dec. 2010. **:**Participated in the National Seminar on "Pallava Temples with Nayaka Additions in the Chennai

Region-A Historical Survey" conducted by Department of Ancient History and Archaeology, Madras University, between 10th and 11th Feb. 2011.

Self-Employment Training Programme to the Students

Self-employment training programme to the students is arranged in this academic year 2011-12. A One day Self-employment Training Programme on "Value added products" was organized at Kundrakkudi to the girl and boy students of history through Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Tamilnadu Veterinary Science University, Kundrakkudi.

Self-employment Training Programme to the boy students

Self-employment Training Programme to the girl students

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

Our staff members and students actively participate in the social and hygienic awareness programme and preservation of historical monuments awareness programme in the neighbouring adopted villages,i.e., Karaiyur, N.Pudur, and S.V.Mangalam. The objectives of pursuing extension activity in a village are as follows:

1. To create literacy awareness among the villagers.
2. To divulge environmental awareness.
3. To divulge hygienic awareness.
4. To train the people in self-employment.
5. To create awareness to protect the woodland.
6. To carryout “One Family One Tree” programme.
7. To impart scientific knowledge relating to agriculture.
8. To impart knowledge of preserving our historical cultural. monuments.

Extension Activity at N.Pudur:

Cleaning of the Village in Progress

Preparation of the village profile by our students

Interaction with the Women of Self-help Group

Extension Activity at Karaiyur

Imparting Environmental Awareness to the School Children

Presentation of Educational C.Ds to the Karaiyur School

Low Cost Scientific Experiments to the School Children

Training in the preparation of Tooth powder and Washing Powder

Mr.Maria Susai on Human Rights to the students of Karaiyur

Literacy Day Procession at Karaiyur

Extension Activity at S.V.Mangalam

Cleaning of Temple Complex in Progress.

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FIELD STUDY

Every year field study is arranged to the students in order to supplement the theoretical knowledge with practical knowledge Estampaging of inscriptions are also demonstrated to the students. Students are taken to the following places between 2005and 2012.

Kundrakkudi - Cave Temple and Jain Beds and Brahmi inscription.

Tirumayam - Rock-cut temple and the fort.

Sittannavasal – Megalithic burial site, painted rock-cut temple and Jain beds with Brahmi inscription.

Avutaiyarkoil- A Siva temple with excellent sculptural representation.

Tirukkoshtiyur- Vishnu temple with *ashtangavimana*.

Field Study

Prof.Vallichocklingam explaining the evolution of temple architecture to the students

The Megalithic burial (Cairn Circle) at *Sittannavasal*

Our students at Athmanatha Swamy Temple, Avudaiyarkoil

DATING BACK HISTORY – ESTAMPAGING IN PROGRESS

OUR STUDENTS AT PUDUKKOTTAI MUESEUM

ASSOCIATION ACTIVITY

To provide an opportunity to witness special lectures of eminent scholars, History Association makes arrangements for special meetings regularly. Between 2005 and 2012, the following Special lectures were arranged.

Name of the Speaker	**Title of the Lecture**
1.Mr.Baskaran Dhanraj, Tourism Officer, Dept. of Tourism, Madurai.	Heritage Tourismin Tamilnadu with Particular Reference to Chettinadu Heritage.
2.Mr.S.Maria Susai, Zonal Co-ordinator, Institute of Human Rights, Madurai.	Human Rights.
3.Mr.S.Govindarajan, Curator, Pudukkottai Museum.	Contribution of Archaeology to Tamil Culture.
4.Prof.A.Subramanian, Professor of History (retd.), A,P.S.A.College, Tiruppattur.	a)Architectural and Sculptural Styles of Avutaiyar Temple, Avutaiyarkoil. b)Lessons we Learn from History.
5.Prof.SP.Sathiavageesan, Professor and Head, Department of Geology, Alagappa Government Arts College, Karaikudi	History and Geology

6.Prof.Sundarabharathi, Professor of History, A.A.College, Pallattur — Temples of Chettinadu and its relevance to the Society.

Mr. S.Maria Susai on "Human Rights"

Mr. S.Govindarajan, on

"Contribution of Archaeology to Tamil Culture"

Mr. A.Subramanian, on "Architecutural and Sculptural Styles of Athmanathasamy Temple, Auvtaiyarkoil

Mr. SP.Sathia Vageesan, on "History and Geology"

Prof. A.Subramanian, on "Lessons We Learn From History"

Prof.Sundarabharathi, on "Temples of Chettinadu and its relevance to the Society"

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ACHIEVEMENTS

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4. Dr.D.K.Venkatachalapathy has served as a member of the NAAC committee of Arumugam Pillai Seethai Ammal College, Tiruppattur for getting accreditation in the year 2005. He is also one of the members of the present NAAC drafting committee of Arumugam Pillai Seethai Ammal College, Tiruppattur organized for getting re-accreditation on 2011-12.

5. Dr.D.K.Venkatachalapathy is a Member of the IQAC, Arumugam Pillai Seethai Ammal College, Tiruppattur.

6. Ms.D.Arulmoni Gunavathi has participated in the Curriculm designing for U.G. History, in the capacity of the member of the Board of Studies of Alagappa University.

7. Dr.M.K.Ganesan received his doctoral degree from M.K. University, on June 2010.

8. Our student A.Arumugam has secured University I rank in the year 2009.

9. Our student S.Selvarani has secured University III rank in the year 2006.

10. Our student T.Ushrani has secured University V rank in the year 2006.

11. Our student T.Manimaran has secured University VII rank in the year 2006