

CARMEL VIDYA VARDHAK SANGH

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The Carmel Vidya Vardhak Sangh continued its mission of providing holistic and value-based education through its institutions: Sacred Heart D.Ed. College, Carmel Convent P.U. College, Carmel Convent High School, St. Anthony High School, Carmel Convent Higher Primary School, St. Anthony Higher Primary School, and Carmel Pre-Primary School. Guided by the vision of the Apostolic Carmel and inspired by the values of faith, compassion, integrity, and service, the institutions worked together to nurture academic excellence, character formation, and social responsibility.

During the year, three Governing Body meetings and the Annual General Body Meeting held on 16 August 2024 focused on educational planning, developmental projects, and the renovation of the Carmel High School ground.

Moral and Spiritual Formation

Spiritual and moral formation remained central across all institutions. Daily assemblies, meditation, scripture reflections, value education classes, and prayer services nurtured faith, discipline, and harmony among students and staff. Festivals such as Deepavali, Christmas, Ramzan, Makara Sankranti, and Eid were celebrated to promote interfaith understanding and unity.

Special programmes included seminars on Peace Education, Life Skills, Personality Development, and Constructivist Learning at Sacred Heart TTI, while schools and colleges organized retreats, value-based assemblies, and reflections on the life and charism of Mother Veronica. Students were encouraged to develop leadership qualities, self-awareness, and compassion through daily meditation, examination of conscience, and meaningful celebrations of important religious and national events.

Intellectual Enhancement and Academic Excellence - The institutions achieved remarkable academic and professional milestones during the year.

At Sacred Heart TTI:

- Sr. Dr. Clarice A.C., Principal, received the Rev. Ferdinand Kittel Foundation Award for outstanding contribution in education.
- An innovative Mathematics project by Mrs. Tanuja and D.El.Ed. Trainees received a National Award from NCERT.
- Workshops on English lesson planning, puppetry, theatre in education, and constructivist teaching methods enriched teacher training.
- D.Ed. trainees excelled academically, recording 100% results in the second year.

Carmel Convent P.U. College achieved excellent academic results:

- Science: 93.96%
- Commerce: 96.75%
- Overall: 95.78%

Carmel Convent High School secured a 97.5% pass percentage in the SSLC examinations, while St. Anthony's High School achieved 94%.

Across institutions, remedial classes, parent-teacher interactions, career guidance programmes, workshops, and co-curricular activities strengthened the learning process. Students participated in science exhibitions, quiz competitions, cyber safety awareness programmes, and skill development initiatives. Additional PCMB and CEBA sections were introduced in the P.U. College with increased student enrolment.

Social Outreach and Emotional Development - The institutions actively fostered compassion, emotional maturity, and social awareness. Students and staff participated in outreach visits to orphanages, homes for the blind, centres for the destitute, and institutions for persons with disabilities. Christmas outreach programmes, food festivals, and charity drives supported cancer patients, HIV/AIDS rehabilitation centres, leprosy and TB patients, and economically weaker families.

Significant outreach initiatives included:

- Funds raised for cancer patients by Carmel High School.
- Funds mobilized by Carmel Higher Primary students for leprosy and TB patients.
- Fee concessions and educational support extended to deserving students across institutions.
- Food kits, stationery, uniforms, books, and medical assistance provided to poor families and support staff.

Counselling services, orientation programmes, and parent engagement initiatives promoted emotional well-being among students and families. National and international days such as Human Rights Day, Constitution Day, Women's Day, and Peace Day were observed to build social consciousness and responsible citizenship.

Cultural, Sports, and Co-Curricular Achievements - A wide range of cultural, literary, and sports activities enriched student life. Institutions celebrated national festivals, Teachers' Day, Children's Day, Karnataka Rajyotsava, and important feast days with enthusiasm.

Students excelled in inter-school, district, state, and national competitions:

- Carmel High School volleyball teams won championships at Taluk and State levels and participated at the National Level in Chandigarh.
- Carmel Higher Primary School secured State-Level victories in throw ball and notable achievements in volleyball, basketball, swimming, karate, and Prathibha Karanji competitions.
- Students won prizes in cultural competitions including collage making, science skits, mono acting, dance, and literary events.

Sports days, exhibitions, talent competitions, and cultural programmes provided opportunities for students to develop confidence, teamwork, and creativity.

Environmental Awareness - Environmental stewardship remained an important focus throughout the year. Institutions promoted eco-consciousness through:

- Nature meditation and awareness on *Laudato Si'* principles.
- Waste segregation and recycling drives in collaboration with ITC WOW.
- Tree planting, cleanliness drives, kitchen gardens, and plastic-free campus initiatives.
- Observance of Environment Day, Ozone Day, Wildlife Conservation programmes, and awareness campaigns on sustainability.

Students were encouraged to care for nature through practical involvement and value-based environmental education.

Staff Development and Infrastructure - The Management organized a two-day AI workshop titled "*Fundamentals to Productivity*" for all teaching staff. Teachers attended seminars, workshops, and training programmes on inclusivity, reading skills, constitutional values, phonetics, and innovative teaching methods.

Several staff members pursued higher studies and participated in national seminars and educational consortiums. Staff outings and educational tours promoted team spirit and well-being.

Infrastructure improvements included:

- Installation of a lift at Carmel Convent P.U. College.
- Expansion of academic sections in the P.U. College.
- Continued development of institutional facilities and learning resources.

Conclusion

The academic year 2025–2026 was marked by growth, achievement, service, and collaboration. The dedicated efforts of management, staff, students, parents, and well-wishers enabled the institutions of Carmel Vidya Vardhak Sangh to continue their mission of holistic education rooted in Gospel values and social commitment.

With gratitude to God for His abundant blessings and guidance, the Society looks forward with renewed hope and commitment to continue shaping young minds and hearts into responsible, compassionate, and value-based citizens.

