

7.3.1 INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Annai Velankanni College located in the periphery of Kanyakumari District; mostly covering the students from remote villages. By nature, they walk a long distance through hills, streams and forest areas. Hence, they possess natural talents and comparatively good health since they hail from villages without pollution. Only thing is their rough activities are to be channelized in accordance with the rules and regulations. Hence Annai Velankanni College picks up the naturally talented students from the average and below average students and gives them proper coaching also pick – up very easily and do their best to win laurels. As per their interests, the events are selected by them for coaching.

Special care is given by the institution for the sports students to achieve in sports. Independent coaches have been appointed to coach the Athletic team, Kho-Kho team, Kabaddi team, Fencing team and Boxing team. Remunerations are paid for them by the college. Every morning and evening coaching are pre-arranged and superior nutritious diet is being provided to the players to uphold their fitness. The players are dropped in the nearby towns by college bus on free of cost in all evenings after the practice session is over.

Players are sent for all the competitions conducted in Kanyakumari District, University Level and state level. In addition, this, the college adopts the winners in University and State Sports games and educates them with full sports scholarship. The college also partially adopts the eligible sports students who have represented the district level and educates them on payment of 50% of sports scholarship. In these ways, the college paves way for the average and below average students to win laurels which will fetch job for them.

Sports facility presented to the sports players are as follows: an athletic track was formed and was left open to the usage of athletes, an indoor stadium for the following games Table tennis, Kabbadi, Kho-Kho, Fencing, and Boxing was constructed, a swimming pool was formed for the students for training, three kho-kho grounds were shaped, created courts for Volley Ball, Kabbadi, Basket Ball, Long jump, High jump, Foot Ball, Cricket and Ball Badminton.

Many laurels were brought by our students in sports to the college. As an evident to this, inter collegiate kho-kho men and women tournament was organized by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University in our campus. Our college has secured runner up for men and secured third place for women. In addition to this, two boys and two girls of our institution were selected to represent in the Manonmaniam Sundaranar University Kho-Kho teams to participate in the All-India Inter-University games. In athletics, the college got Gold Medal in Polevault event, Gold Medal in Javelin throw event and got bronze in 400 mts Hurdles in the Manonmaniam Sundaranar Inter Collegiate Athletic Meet. In District level college meet, college has secured a runner up by women kho-kho team and secured third place by women kho-kho team in a District level open meet. The college has attained first place in All India Sylumbum competition conducted by All India Sylumbum Association.

To promote the sports among the young minds for upliftment in life, an Inter Collegiate Athletic meet for college students on 15.02.2022 and Inter School Athletic meet on 21.02.2022 was organized by our college. The college is generously agreed to allow the residents residing nearby college and also neighboring college students to use the college ground.

Our college will be honored with many more laurels in the succeeding years Through all these sustained coaching and guidance. For the year 2022-2023, 20 sports students are admitted with full waiver of fees and 23 sports students are admitted with payment of half fees. The college begins a new BSc Physical Education programme, affiliated to Manonmanium Sundaranar University, to encourage the students to take up sports career.