

## **Aptis Student Support Programme**

The Department of English organized Aptis Student Support Programme in collaboration with the British Council Chennai. It is an English test for adults (16+), which can be used to assess ability in all four English skills - speaking, listening, reading and writing. It tests English levels from A1-C on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. This test is designed by the British Council to meet the diverse needs of organisations and individuals around the world.

Learning English with the British Council will help candidates unlock a whole new world of opportunity. Aptis Student Support Programme was conducted for the students of First year Arts and Science students. Nearly 47 students from B.A.English (Hons.) /B.Com(Hons.)/B.Com General/BBA/BCA /B.Sc took the online Diagnostic test in the Language lab on 5.3.2020 and underwent training on the four language skills namely, listening, speaking, reading and writing from 9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 in E &I Seminar Hall. The lead trainer from British Council, Ms.VeenaKrishnamurthi was the Resource Person.

Students were made to sit in clusters and engaged in many activities. Work sheets on phonetics, grammar, vocabulary, case studies, language to introduce themselves, language for meetings, discourse markers, presentation skills, and many more were given. Students were trained to speak fearlessly without any nervousness. Each student was given a topic and asked to speak.

The participants not only had the confidence to speak but also learnt to listen to audio files, comprehend and write short paragraphs. Since the students were from different disciplines this two- day training brought them closer and developed familiarity among themselves.

The students will receive two certificates each, one for taking the online test and the other for attending the training which will be useful for their career prospects and higher studies.

5.3.2020

Online Diagnostic test in the Language Lab



Our Dean, School of Social Sciences and Humanities addressing the students



Dean SSS&H, HoD English, faculty and technician from British Council

## Two-day training in E&I Seminar Hall

9.3.2020



The lead trainer from British Council Ms.VeenaKrishnamurthi with the students



Senior Consultant from the British Council Mr.LoganathanDhanasekaran during the session

Day 2

10.3.2020



The training in progress during the session, with Ms. Veena Krishnamurthi as resource person.



The students sitting in clusters for group activities