



## **St. Joseph's College of Commerce (Autonomous)**

Affiliated to Bengaluru City University

Accredited with A++ Grade by NAAC in 4<sup>th</sup> Cycle (CGPA of 3.57/4)

College with Potential for Excellence (CPE)

Ranked 93<sup>rd</sup> in NIRF 2022 by the Ministry of Education, Government of India

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### **AQAR: 2021-2022**

### **7.3.1 Institutional Distinctiveness**

## **Institutional Distinctiveness**

### **Bembala**

In alignment with the Jesuit Higher Education purposes, the University Grants Commission, the Highest Education Authority in India, has recognized the relevance and importance of the purpose and practice of 'Extension' as integral to the process of learning. Hence it expects universities and colleges, given their knowledge, human resources, and infrastructure, to become positive change-makers who would empower the marginalized of society.

Bembala is a Community Outreach Programme designed for students of all institutions under Bangalore Jesuit Educational Society (BJES), initiated to realize the Jesuit Vision of life and education. SJCC envisions forming young men and women with a strong concern and commitment for the society they live in. The outreach programme consists of awareness building exercises, cleanliness drives, campaigns for social causes, social visits, and rural visits. After the pandemic subsided the Bembala team organized several social visits to old age homes, orphanages and government schools, cleanliness drives in schools, Traffic awareness drive are some of the programs. Bembala Department organizes social visits throughout the academic year. The visits allow students to participate in community outreach activities and develop a sense of commitment to work towards the welfare of the marginalized communities.

### **Interdisciplinary Approach**

SJCC aims to find new ways to expand the horizons of knowledge through innovative teaching-learning practices. An interdisciplinary nature is imperative to any curricular's framework. Students pursuing both Commerce and Business Administration Programmes at SJCC are expected to complete certain number.. of Core Papers in their respective field of study. Apart from the Core Papers, students are offered open elective papers from other fields of study, including Theatre, Arts and Literature. This offers students an opportunity to familiarize themselves with different fields of study to understand the world around in a better manner. Some of the Core Papers have been redesigned as interdisciplinary papers to enrich the understanding of different subjects,