

Alumni Award of Distinction 2022

Mrs Jenny John Thomas

It gives us great pleasure to introduce Mrs Jenny John Thomas, the recipient of the Alumni award of distinction for the year 2022. Mrs Jenny John Thomas, as we all know has, single-handedly, converted our campus into a place that is picture-perfect every month of the year. Today, as we all walk through campus, we find ourselves surrounded by multiple exquisite gardens and that is all thanks to her creativity and hard work.

Mrs Jenny Thomas completed her BSc in Agriculture at Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University and her master's in agriculture at Kerala University. On 3 January 2007, she was appointed as the estate manager and is now the senior agricultural officer in CMC, Vellore. Since her appointment, she has taken the initiative to convert every area of our campus into a beautiful space. We, the residents of this campus, got to witness the transformation of the campus, under her care, in a matter of months and visitors have always expressed their appreciation for our amazingly maintained gardens.

It is not by chance that our gardens have flowers blooming during every season and exotic plants that can thrive in this environment. A lot of careful planning and meticulous execution has gone into this process. Her gorgeous home garden is proof of her extensive knowledge and proof that she has a green thumb. Along with that she also seems to have the ability to control all elements of nature to bring constant beauty and order to our campus.

Our gardens and environment have received the utmost care. We have all seen Mrs Jenny Thomas walk across campus every day to inspect and check on the progress made in every area and despite the limited resources she has always ensured perfection.

We admire the creativity with which she converts ordinary spaces into extraordinary gardens and we are grateful that this has been passed on to future generations. She has worked with many batches of students on gardening projects and has been the backbone of the numerous tree planting ceremonies that we have had in the institution.

As the poet, John Keats once wrote "*A thing of beauty is a joy of forever. It is a constant source of happiness and pleasure. Its loveliness increases every moment. It will never pass into nothingness.*" Mrs Jenny Thomas, you have given us a gift that will surely last forever and for this, we as a community would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts.