## ADDITIONAL SKILL ACQUISITION PROGRAMME (ASAP) REPORT OF 2018-2019

Additional Skill Acquisition Programme is an initiative of Government of Kerala to impart skill training to the Higher Secondary and Undergraduate students of the state. The initiative is implemented jointly by the Higher Education, General Education, Labour and Local Self Government Departments of Kerala. The initiative was started in 2011. The major components of the program are Foundation module, Skill Course and internship. The foundation module for ASAP mainly contains 180 hours of programme where the students get exposed with English speaking skill and basic skill of Computer.

As part of ASAP programme about 30 hours of classes were taken for 2017-2018 batch. The classes for 2017-2018 batches were conducted by Mintu Mohan. Unfortunately due to shortage of time only 30 hrs was completed in year 2017-2018. So it was decided to conduct the remaining 150 class hrs for 2018-2019 batch.

To enroll new students for 2018-2019 batch, ASAP Programme Coordinator of Baselius College Tissy Eruthickal and ASAP trainer Ajay Abraham, visited 11 Departments to introduce the programme and its significance to the students. Later trainers from ASAP came to provide an introductory session for the students of different batches of BA and B.Com at AP Mani Hall and for different batches of B.Sc. students conducted at Mrs.Mammen Mappillai Hall. Application form was distributed among interested students. A senior trainer, Norbo from ASAP conducted an interview and about 25 students were selected. Abhijith M.S and Glaries George took classes for the selected 25 students from 4pm to 5pm everyday from January 2019.

The programme was a great success and significant enhancement of skills was visible among the students who underwent the training.

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