# Activities of the Commerce Association 2017-18) **COMFEST**:

The Commerce Department of St. Andrew's College hosted their annual fest-Comfest with the tagline 'Weeks of Commercial Challenges'. The fest commenced on 31 August 2017 and ended on 11 September 2017. With its core Organising and marketing committee supported by many volunteers excelled at bagging a number of sponsors for their fest this year. The fest engaged a large number of participants who competed fiercely to win the titles.



(Picture 1- Orientation session of Comfest team before the event)

Treasure Hunt: 31-August 2017

Perhaps the most successful event of all, Treasure Hunt was held on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 and drew more than 150 participants. Shawn D' Souza of T.Y.B.Com along with his friends took the "Treasure" home.

Tele Games: 4 Sept 2017

This event which was held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017, also managed to attract close to 150 participants. The event was packed with exciting games and spot prizes and served as the principal source of fun for Comfest.



(Picture 2 –Tresure Hunt –Comfest 2017-18 Picture 3- Telegames –Comfest 2017-18)

## **Debate Competition: 6 Sept 2017**

Held on 6<sup>th</sup>September 2017, the competition sought to serve as a platform for the students to voice their opinion on issues that concern the nation. Students' general awareness as well as their ability to articulate their thoughts was put to the test. Yvonne Napier of the TYBA bagged the first place.

## Spanish Workshop: 7 Sept 2017

Comfest also included a workshop on Spanishon 7<sup>th</sup> September 2017. Ms. Blanka of Hispanic Horizon, gave a brief regarding the language and its increasing importance in today's world.



Picture 4 - Spanish Workshop - Comfest 2017-18)

## **Shark Tank Competition: 7 Sept 2017**

With Pravesh Neupane of the TYB.Com as the winner, Shark Tank provided a platform where business ideas were groomed into business ventures. This event, held on 7<sup>th</sup> September2017, was a new addition to Comfest and received a positive response from the students.

## **Quiz Competition: 8 Sept 2017**

The competition's elimination and final rounds were held on 8<sup>th</sup>September 2017. The participants had to make it through gruelling rounds to grab a place in the finals.It compromised of a mix bag of challenges such as MCQs, Buzzer Round and 'Guess the Personality', all of which were aimed at testing the participants' mental ability and speed. Brian Fernandes and Jeremy D'Souza of the T.Y.B.M.S and S.Y.B.Com made it through as first place winners.



(Picture 5 – Quiz Competition –Comfest -2017-18)

### Ad Mad Show: 9 Sept 2017

With the aim of compelling students to come up with creative ideas, Shoot an Ad was held on 9<sup>th</sup>September 2017. Beating tough competition, Pravesh Neupane and his team mates bagged the first place.

## Research paper -Presentation Competition: 9th Sept 2017

A Research paper Presentation Competition was held on 9<sup>th</sup>September 2017, so as to let students present research work carried out by them. Sheena D'cruz, the winner, and the other participants came out with a wide variety of topics ranging from demonetisation, changes in the financial year, GST, Marketing, etc among others.

## Talent Hunt -Competition- 11 Sept 2017

With Nikhil Jose of the T.Y.B.Com as its winner, Talent Hunt served as a platform for students to showcase their passion for singing, dancing, acting, drama, and much more. The event had its elimination and final rounds on 11<sup>th</sup> September 201

#### **GUEST LECTURE**

 A Guest Lecture on "Study overseas" by Ex- Student Warren Fernandez from NZEA (New Zealand Education Advisors Limited) (1 March 2018)



Picture 6 – Guest lecture by Warren Fernandez from NZEA (New Zealand Education Advisors Limited and Commerce Department Head Dr. Charmaine Braganza)

## **INDUSTRIAL VISIT: SULA VINEYARDS**

The Commerce Department conducted an industrial visit to Sula Vineyard on **22 January, 2018.** Around 150 students from T.Y.B.Com and few students of T.Y.B.A

Economics Major visited the Sula Vineyard. Students witnessed the wine making and the grapes selection process as well as their in-house storage facility. The students were given a briefing regarding wine storage and its formation.





(Picture 7- Dr. Charmaine Braganza (HOD) with students at the production unit of sula vineyard-Industrial Visit -2017-18

Picture 8 – Students along with faculty Dr. Grasiala Tavares at sula vineyard-Industrial visit -2017-18)