## Arasan Ganesan Polytechnic College, Sivakasi Pride to the field of Printing Technology



Mr. M. Nandakumar Principal Incharge and HOD/Printing Technology Arasan Ganesan Polytechnic College, Sivakasi has been conferred the prestigious ISTE Arutchelvar DR. N. Mahalingam Award for Best Polytechnic Teacher for Tamil Nadu State for the year 2013. He received the award during the Inaugural function of the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual convention of ISTE on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at Tatyasaheb Kore Institute of Engineering & Technology, Kolhapur, Maharashtra.

Being a Printing Technologist, he had started his career as Assistant Production Engineer in Macmillan India Ltd, Bangalore. He joined Arasan Ganesan Polytechnic College, Sivakasi as Senior Lecturer and later became Head of the Department of Printing Technology. During his stint as HOD and Vice Principal he developed many innovative methodologies in Teaching and learning process in the Polytechnic College. He was instrumental in getting placement for the printing students in India and abroad and succeeded in getting 100% placement to the students since 2000. He has been invited as special invitee to visit Emirates Printing Press, Dubai in the year 2010 to see the state of the art facilities and interacted with AGP alumni in Dubai.

As a versatile personality he had presented papers in international conferences and in various National conferences and conventions. He has published many articles in various printing technical magazines. Having experience of more than 19 years in teaching he had authored many books for printing technology students. He was the convener of the syllabus revision committee for Diploma in Printing Technology, offered by the Directorate of Technical Education, Tamilnadu. He introduced a considerable degree of job oriented subject content for the printing technology students to enable them as *job ready* candidates. Under the leadership of Mr. M. Nandakumar the department of Printing Technology of Arasan Ganesan Polytechnic College has launched a separate website for the New syllabus content (Course Material) for the benefit of printing technology students community. He had been the state facilitator for Canada India Institutional Cooperation Project to conduct Staff Development Managers Workshop and Strategic Planning Workshop for the polytechnic teachers in Tamilnadu.