The Interface between the Commissionerate Exemptions, Tamil Nadu and the various Non Profit Organizations, which was organized jointly Loyola Institute of Business Administration (LIBA) & COMMISSIONER of Income Tax (Exemptions), Tamil Nadu was held at The Loyola Institute of Business Administration on the 20\textsuperscript{th} of November, 2015.

This Interface session along with the accompanying workshops all through the day sought to address and smoothen out the various issues, if any, that exist between the NPOs and IT officials and in the compliance requirements of the NPOs.
The Inaugural session began with the Welcome Address delivered by Dr. T.A. Sivasubramaniam, Director, LIBA. He warmly welcomed the dignitaries and the participants of the session which included officials of the NPOs. He mentioned that LIBA is an Institution with initiatives focused on the upliftment and empowerment of the weaker sections of society hence was proud to link both the NGOs, NPOs and the Income Tax department and help strengthen and facilitate a fruitful collaboration. He mentioned that, this program adds one more feather to the crowning glory of LIBA.

In his Felicitations, Rev. Fr. Francis Jayapathy S.J., Rector of Loyola College Society, asserted that compassion was the Hallmark of every religion. Giving a message and his blessings, he stated that a close collaboration between the Government and the Non Profit Organizations is essential to bridge the gaps that exist in the development process. He emphasized that, there were three key words for this meet – Collaboration, Non Profit and exemptions.

The Keynote Address was delivered by Shri. R.S.V.S. Pavan Kumar IRS, The Commissioner, Income Tax (Exemptions), Tamilnadu. He explained that the Government with limited resources cannot address all the issues that plague society fully. He called upon the NPOs to contribute to the welfare and the development of the society. He pointed out that they can claim exemptions by complying with the provisions of the IT Act and the IT regulations. He also stated that taxation is to remain neutral as to how a business is run and also as to how a charitable body should be run. He asserted that the department is always willing to simplify the regulations and to help the NPOs provided they follow the rules and regulations totally.

Mr. C A M. Kandasami, FCA. DISA explained all the relevant provisions of the Income Tax Act 1961 with regard to Exemptions. Ms. Alamelu, Additional Commissioner, Exemptions, called upon the NPOs to avoid the mistakes and comply with the legal provisions carefully. The afternoon session entailed a group discussion on the practical challenges faced in NPO governance and Statutory Compliance and concluded with a presentation of the points arising from the discussion. The Vote of Thanks was given by Rev. Dr. A. Thomas SJ, Secretary cum Treasurer, Loyola College Society.