

NEWSLETTER JULY 2024



GRADUATION CEREMONY, MERIT DAY & INAUGURATION OF FYUGP

Graduation ceremony of 2021-24 batch, Merit Day 2023-24 and Freshers' Welcome titled Vignjanotsav 2024, was organized on 1st July 2024, with Justice Kurian Joseph, former judge of the Supreme Court of India as the Chief Guest.



Dr. John Joy's manuscript titled *Induced Geodetic Sequence of a Graph* has been accepted in the journal *Transactions on Combinatorics*.



Sgt. Aswathy Krishnadas, sem 5 B.Sc. Zoology was selected to represent Kottayam group in the all Kerala Intergroup Thal Sanik Camp Competition at Thiruvalla.



Hari N, alumni of the Department of Mathematics (2018-21) was selected for doctoral studies at Louisiana State University, USA. He completed MSc Mathematics from CUSAT, Cochin.



Ms. Tina Jose was one of ten contestants selected worldwide for the June Fiction Writing Workshop in Paris in 2024. She was also appointed as a member of the editorial board of Edwin Group of Journals.



Ms. Jesna Jose published a paper titled *Embodied Symbols of Fear and Divinity in Theyyam: Attire as Conduits of Folklore and Communal Emotions*, in the *Proceedings of the International Conference on Sustainable Design Practices* organized by National Institute Of Fashion Technology (NIFT), Kangra, India. ISBN 978-93-95404-55-6



Alwin Philip, alumni of the Department of Zoology (2018-2021) was selected as Junior Research Fellow at the Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology (RGCB), Tvm.

ACHIEVEMENTS



Congratulations **Capt. Jais Kurian, Dr. Thomas KC, Ms. Ambili Catherine Thomas, Dr. Merly K Punnoose (Convenor), Ms. Blessy P James and Mr. Jasimudeen S** for being appointed as expert committee members of UG/PG disciplines of MG University, Kottayam.



Dr. Navitha Elizabeth Jose and Suryajith (2021-24 batch) from Department of English were selected for MLA's Excellence Award 2024. The college was also honoured with the Excellence Award for achieving A+ grade in the NAAC Accreditation.



Dr. Merly K Punnoose published a paper titled *Dhuni tape teer aur hul phadiya mein abhivyakt ithihāsik bodh* in the journal *Keral Jyothi*. ISSN 2320- 9976

DAY OBSERVATIONS



Department of English commemorated Basheer on his 30th death anniversary by organizing a literary sojourn titled *Tryst with Basheerian legends* on 5th July, 2024.



Department of Zoology observed World Chocolate day on 7th July, 2024 through on-the-spot quiz and distributing chocolates among the staff and students.



Department of Economics observed World Population Day on July 11th July, 2024 through still model and charts to enhance student awareness.



Department of Zoology observed Youth Skill Day on July 15th through the initiative entitled 'Think Unlimited' to promote student entrepreneurship. Sales counters were opened to develop entrepreneurial skills.



NCC unit of the college observed Kargil Vijay Diwas on 26th July, 2024 by organizing a flash mob, lighting a lamp and flower shower. Tributes were paid by ESB club and Music club.

IGNITE 2024



Ignite 2024, the orientation series for Sem 1 UG students, was conducted from 1st to 6th July, 2024. Day 1 started off with the state level online inauguration of FYUGP by Dr. R. Bindhu, Honorable Minister for Higher Education. The events that followed as a part of the series included ice breaking sessions, introduction to FYUGP, Career Orientation, workshop on Artificial Intelligence, interactive introduction to cells and clubs and Add-On courses, visit to campus infrastructure and facilities etc.



The Malayalam Samajam of the college in association with the College Central Library and NBS, Kottayam, organised a Book Fest on 4th and 5th July, 2024



The college served as hosts to the students of St. Stephen's UP School and Our Lady of Lourde Higher Secondary School, Uzhavoor, who were given a two-day experience of the college infrastructure and facilities, on 5th and 6th July 2024.



The Music Club activities for 2024-25 was inaugurated by **Ms. Sruthi V**, title winner of Tharangini 2k23, on 23rd July 2024, followed by... staff and students. The club conducts such jamming sessions every week.



The Department of English organized a book talk series 'Talk Your Book Out' on 25th July, 2024.

ALUMNI INTERACTION



The Department of Mathematics Alumni batch of 2002-2005 organized a get-together at the college on 20th July 2024, which also included a visit to Dr Francis Cyriac, former Principal and faculty member of the department.

The Department of Physics Alumni batch 1996-1999 organized a get-together at the college on 27th July 2024. The event helped former classmates to reconnect, share experiences and reminisce about their time at St. Stephen's. A day filled with activities, heartfelt speeches and joyous reunions was nostalgic for all in attendance. The visit to their Alma Mater also gave them an opportunity to witness the changes in the campus, meet the present faculty and students and thereby foster a sense of community while supporting a sense of connectedness back to the institution.



UNION BUDGET ANALYSIS



CA. Kurian V John conducted a Live Budget Analysis on 23rd July, 2024.

Ms. Anjitha Mary Martin conducted an analysis of Union Budget 2024-25 on 26th July, 2024.



The students of the Department of Economics participated in the budget analysis.

GRANTS RECEIVED

The college received a grant of Rs 50,000/- from State Medicinal Plants Board, Kerala, for a herbal garden in the campus.



An awareness session on the various student scholarships was organized for Sem 1 students on 25th July 2024, with Ms Ami Susan Prasad as the resource person.

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES



Department of Zoology observed World Paper Bag day on 12th July, 2024 through distribution of paper bags among local vendors to spread awareness against plastic.



Department of Mathematics observed Pi Approximation Day on 22nd July, 2024 at G.H.S.S. Puhtuvelyby delivering a talk on Mathematics in Day to Day Life and a Maths Quiz for students. A selfie booth was also set up in the college.

RESOURCE PERSONS

SPORTS



Ms. Ambili Catherine Thomas inaugurated the Commerce (S.F.) Association, *Sperenza 2k24* of Dev Matha College, Kuravilangad on 20th July 2024.



Fr. Benny Cheriyl conducted class for the Sunday School PTA of St. Michael's Church, Kaduthuruthy on 21st July, 2024.



Mr. Jasimudeen S conducted a Faculty Induction Programme for UGC HRDC on 29th July, 2024. He also conducted a workshop on Artificial Intelligence for the non-teaching staff of the college.



Department of Physical Education organized activities for students, as a part of World Chess Day on 20th July, 2024. Along with indoor and outdoor games, the gym facilities were also opened for use by students. An Olympic logo was exhibited in the campus to express solidarity with the Paris Olympics 2024.



A Basket Throw Competition was organized for the staff and students on 28th July, 2024. Dr. Sincy Joseph inaugurated the event with the first throw.

CAREER AND PLACEMENT



A session on 'Critical Thinking for Career Success' was conducted for all the final year students of college on 26th July, 2024 at Chazhikattu Hall by the Career and Placement Cell. Mr. Asok Sadan, Life Sculptor, Roots and Routes Kochi was the trainer for the session.

NSS ACTIVITIES



NSS volunteers were given training on becoming the volunteers as part of Digi Keralam project on 22nd July 2024 at Chazhikattu Hall. 66 our volunteers have registered for this initiative for helping the state in achieving fully digital literates. Uzhavoor panchayat Secretary Sunil S, Assistant secretary Suresh technical assistant Ashrita Raju and RGSA Uzhavoor Block co-ordinator Alisha Mohan led the training session.



NSS in association with Govt medical college conducted an awareness class on organ donation on July 29th 2024 as part of organ donation day. Jimmy George and Ms. Neethu P Thomas, Multi-Organ Transplants Coordinators, KSOTTO, Government Medical College, Kottayam, shared their expertise and experiences in organ donation and transplantation to the students.



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