CHRISTIAN COLLEGE KATTAKADA Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695572

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Report of Activities organized by the College to increase Consciousness about National Identities and Symbols

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An invited lecture was organized on World Blood Donor day on 14th June 2014 about the importance of blood donation. Blood donor's day was celebrated on 14.06.2015. A seminar was organised on 11.6.2016 highlighting the importance of blood donation. Dr. E. Walsalam, Head of the Department, Department of Zoology handled the class. On 22.7.2016 a blood group identification camp was conducted. Three hundred and twenty two students participated and identified their blood group. A blood donation camp was arranged in LMS Compound, TVPM on 29.7.2016 in which 15 students participated. A flash mob and rally was jointly organised on 25.9.2017 to aware the public about blood donation with the students of PR William HSS Kattakada, GHSS Kulathummal and Govt. HSS Neyyardam.

9) **Independence Day (August)**: Independence Day is celebrated every year on 15<sup>th</sup> August by the NCC units by hosting the National flag. Independence Day message by a distinguished guest and march past of the NCC navy and army units are the agenda followed through years. Representatives from PTA, alumni association and representatives from local self-governments, students and teachers residing near to the college will assemble in the ground for the ceremony even if 15th of August is a public holiday. Medals, awards and gifts for the cadets who have achievements in NCC, will be distributed by the chief guest on the particular day.

In 2014, Dr. G.J. Shyju, Assistant Professor of Physics delivered a talk on 'Secularism in the current socio political scenario'. In 2015, Sri. Thankachan, Vice President, Poovachal Grama panchayat delivered a talk. In 2016, Dr. E. Valsala Kumar, Principal delivered a talk on 'National Integration'. In 2017, Sri. L.S. Paul Raj, Principal delivered a talk. In 2018,

- 10) Onam: Onam is the state harvest festival of Kerala. All the people irrespective of caste, religion, livelihood and education, celebrate Onam. Onam celebrations in the college will take place on two days before the closing of the college for Onam holidays. In the first day of celebration, students celebrate Onam with Pookkalam (Flower carpet) competition class-wise, which is followed by delicious Onasadya (Special meals for Onam). Varieties of tasks and games are arranging classwise by students as well as teachers. On the second day, staff celebrate Onam, in which different art forms will be performed by the staff and there will be usually a chief guest to deliver the Onam message. This is then followed by Onasadya for all teaching and non-teaching staff including Principal and Manager. A TV Channel programme in the name 'Onaredam' was organised by 'Flowers TV' on 31.8.2016 in connection with Onam celebrations. Competitions and Entertainment programmes were arranged.
- 11) Teachers Day (September): Teachers day is celebrated on September 5 every year. On that day, a public gathering will be conducting and all the teachers will be given Rose flowers by the students as a sign of their love and respect. Teachers will exchange greetings among themselves and staff will remember their teachers and will find time to greet their teachers in person or through phone.
- 12) **Ozone Day** (September): Ozone day is celebrated every year by organising seminars, oral talks by resource persons and poster presentations which will be displayed in the Seminar Hall. All members of nature club along with students of Botany will take part in the function.

A one day seminar along with an exhibition was organized by the department of Botany on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26th September 2014 in connection with the ozone day celebrations. The focal theme was 'ozone layer protection, the mission goes on'. Dr.Abhilash R., Assistant Professor in Zoology, St.John's College, Anchal was the resource person. A one day seminar was conducted on the topic 'Thirty years of healing the ozone together' on 16.9.2015 organised by the Department of Botany. Dr. Rubin José A. S, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, FMN college, Kollam, Dr. C.A. Lal, Assistant Professor, School of Distance education, University of Kerala and Dr. T.R. Vinod, Research Director, Centre for Environment and Development, Trivandrum were the resource persons. A paper

presentation competition was also conducted along with the seminar. Ozone Day - One day seminar and poster designing competition organised by Department of Botany on 30.9.2016 on the focal theme 'Ozone & Climate: Restored by a world united. Dr. Boby T. Edwin, Assistant Professor & Head, Department of Botany, TKM Arts and Science College, Kollam & Sri. Udayan Nair, Deputy Range Forest Officer, Social Forestry, Trivandrum were the resource persons. Dr.prince PR and Dr. Dinesh Babu were the resource persons in the Ozone day celebrations in 2016-17.

13) **National Statistics Day (June)**: National Statistics Day is celebrated every year to mark the birth anniversary of the Father of Indian Statistics PC Mahalanobis. The day is celebrated to popularise the use of Statistics in daily life and also make us people understand how Statistics help in shaping and framing the policies.

Statistical day was celebrated on 18.9.2015 by the Department of Statistics. Prof. P.J. Kurien M P (Deputy Chairman, Rajyasabha, New Delhi) inaugurated the seminar. Sri. Abdu Rub (Minister of Education, Govt. of Kerala) presided the programme. Dr. Kalyana Raman, Professor & Head (Rtd), Department of Statistics, University of Kerala was the resource person. World Statistical day was celebrated on 18.9.2016.

14) Gandhijayanthi: Birthday of the father of the nation is celebrated every year under the auspice of NSS. Cleaning of the surroundings of the college along with cleaning of any public places such as railway stations, Government hospitals, old age homes etc.

In 2016, a debate was conducted on the topic 'New Generation Trends' on Gandhi Jayanthi Day. A drawing competition was held on the topic 'Swachh Bharat' on 10.11.2016. Archa and Joshila of III BSc Physics got first and second places respectively. Campus was cleaned jointly with the students of 1(K) Girls Bn and the regular students of the college in connection with Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. An essay writing competition was organised in connection with Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

15) World Aids Day (December): World Aids Day is observed on 1 December each year and is an international day dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection and mourning those who have died of the disease. It's an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, to show support for people living with HIV, and to commemorate those who have died from an AIDS-related illness.

An AIDS awareness class was conducted for the public in Apsara tuition centre, Kattakada by Dr. N. Shaji. An awareness programme on World Aids day was conducted on 1.12.2015. On World Aids Day 2016 a rally was organised from college to the bus station and a seminar was conducted which was led by Dr. Riji Rasheed. World Aids day was observed on 1.12.2016 by conducting an awareness rally from the campus to the bus station, Kattakada.

16) **National Youth Day**: National Youth Day is celebrated being the birthday of Swami Vivekananda in order to raise awareness of challenges and problems facing the world's youth, the International Youth Day is celebrated.

National youth day rally was organized on 12.1.2016.A seminar was conducted on 12.8.2016 in connection with International Youth Day celebrations. Dr. J.G. Muthuraj handled the class on 'Terrorism'. National Youth day was celebrated by removing plastic materials from the college and from the Thottampara ward on 12.01.2017. Students visited Thottampara village and gave awareness about the ill effects of the use of plastics and urged them to make it a plastic free ward. On Vivekananda Jayanthi day , 12.1.2017, an essay writing competition was conducted which was followed by paper presentation on the topic "The Vision of Swami Vivekananda in Building a New India'.

17) **Wildlife Week celebrations**: The Wildlife Week is celebrated all over the country every year and its aim is to preserve animal life in India. It is because of animal population in forest and other areas the environmental balance is preserved in nature. Talks/events are organized to teach about animal life and save large number of animals by not killing them for food and other purposes.

Mr.RenjanMathew Vargheese State Director WWF India, Kerala and Mr.A.K. Sivakumar Senior Education Officer were the resource persons in the Wild Life Week celebrations 2018 celebrations were organised by the Dept. of Botany on 18.12.2018. 188 participants were attended the function.

18) **Christmas**: Christmas is celebrated to remember the birth of Jesus Christ, who Christians believe is the Son of God. It is celebrated after the student's internal exams ie, two days before the starting of Christmas vacation. In the first day, students celebrate Christmas by arranging manger sets, cake cutting and distribution of Christmas gifts in each and every class along with their class tutors followed by delicious food. In the second day, the staff celebrate Christmas with cake in the presence of Principal, Manager and a distinguished guest who delivers the Christmas message. Carol songs and solo performances are arranging for teaching staffs as well as non-teaching staffs. Along with the usual celebration methods, the college student's union organized a procession by singing carol songs, in and around the college campus.

## Anti dowry day on 26.3.2016.

**World No Tobacco day-** This yearly celebration informs the public on the dangers of using tobacco. It gives alertness about the flavours appealing to children in smokeless tobacco, shisha and e-cigarettes that the tobacco and related industry tactics to attract younger generations.

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Competitions were organised for the students on World Hindi Day. Kaviarangu was organised in connection with 'Vayanadhinam' on 19.6.2017 by the Department of Malayalam. In connection with Bhashadhinam a debate was conducted on 21.2.2018 on the topic 'Malayala Bhashayum Samskaravum Neridunna Velluvilikal'

26) **World Blood Donor Day (June)**: Every year, on 14 June, countries around the world celebrate World Blood Donor Day (WBDD). The event serves to raise awareness of the need for safe blood and blood products and to thank blood donors for their life-saving gifts of blood.

An invited lecture was organized on World Blood Donor day on 14th June 2014 about the importance of blood donation. Blood donor's day was celebrated on 14.06.2015. A seminar was organised on 11.6.2016 highlighting the importance of blood donation. Dr. E. Walsalam, Head of the Department, Department of Zoology handled the class. On 22.7.2016 a blood group identification camp was conducted. Three hundred and twenty two students participated and identified their blood group. A blood donation camp was arranged in LMS Compound, TVPM on 29.7.2016 in which 15 students participated. A flash mob and rally was jointly organised on 25.9.2017 to aware the public about blood donation with the students of PR William HSS Kattakada, GHSS Kulathummal and Govt. HSS Neyyardam.

27) **Independence Day (August)**: Independence Day is celebrated every year on 15<sup>th</sup> August by the NCC units by hosting the National flag. Independence Day message by a distinguished guest and march past of the NCC navy and army units are the agenda followed through years. Representatives from PTA, alumni association and representatives from local self-governments, students and teachers residing near to the college will assemble in the ground for the ceremony even if 15th of August is a public holiday. Medals, awards and gifts for the cadets who have achievements in NCC, will be distributed by the chief guest on the particular day.

In 2014, Dr. G.J. Shyju, Assistant Professor of Physics delivered a talk on 'Secularism in the current socio political scenario'. In 2015, Sri. Thankachan, Vice President, Poovachal Grama panchayat delivered a talk. In 2016, Dr. E. Valsala Kumar, Principal delivered a talk on 'National Integration'. In 2017, Sri. L.S. Paul Raj, Principal delivered a talk. In 2018,

- 28) Onam: Onam is the state harvest festival of Kerala. All the people irrespective of caste, religion, livelihood and education, celebrate Onam. Onam celebrations in the college will take place on two days before the closing of the college for Onam holidays. In the first day of celebration, students celebrate Onam with Pookkalam (Flower carpet) competition class-wise, which is followed by delicious Onasadya (Special meals for Onam). Varieties of tasks and games are arranging classwise by students as well as teachers. On the second day, staff celebrate Onam, in which different art forms will be performed by the staff and there will be usually a chief guest to deliver the Onam message. This is then followed by Onasadya for all teaching and non-teaching staff including Principal and Manager. A TV Channel programme in the name 'Onaredam' was organised by 'Flowers TV' on 31.8.2016 in connection with Onam celebrations. Competitions and Entertainment programmes were arranged.
- 29) Teachers Day (September): Teachers day is celebrated every year. On that day, a public gathering will be conducting and all the teachers will be given Rose flowers by the students as a sign of their love and respect. Teachers will exchange greetings among themselves and staff will remember their teachers and will find time to greet their teachers in person or through phone.
- 30) Ozone Day (September): Ozone day is celebrating every year by organising seminars, oral talks by resource persons and poster presentations which will be displayed in the Seminar Hall. All members of nature club along with students of Botany will take part in the function. A one day seminar along with an exhibition was organized by the department of Botany on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26th September 2014 in connection with the ozone day celebrations. The focal theme was 'ozone layer protection, the mission goes on'. Dr.Abhilash R., Assistant Professor in Zoology, St.John's College, Anchal was the resource person. A one day seminar was conducted on the topic 'Thirty years of healing the ozone together' on 16.9.2015 organised by the Department of Botany. Dr. Rubin José A. S, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, FMN college, Kollam, Dr. C.A. Lal, Assistant Professor, School of Distance education, University of Kerala and Dr. T.R. Vinod, Research Director, Centre for Environment and Development, Trivandrum were the resource persons. A paper

presentation competition was also conducted along with the seminar. Ozone Day - One day seminar and poster designing competition organised by Department of Botany on 30.9.2016 on the focal theme 'Ozone & Climate: Restored by a world united. Dr. Boby T. Edwin, Assistant Professor & Head, Department of Botany, TKM Arts and Science College, Kollam & Sri. Udayan Nair, Deputy Range Forest Officer, Social Forestry, Trivandrum were the resource persons. Dr.prince PR and Dr. Dinesh Babu were the resource persons in the Ozone day celebrations in 2016-17.

31) **National Statistics Day (June)**: National Statistics Day is celebrated every year to mark the birth anniversary of the Father of Indian Statistics PC Mahalanobis. The day is celebrated to popularise the use of Statistics in daily life and also make us people understand how Statistics help in shaping and framing the policies.

Statistical day was celebrated on 18.9.2015 by the Department of Statistics. Prof. P.J. Kurien M P (Deputy Chairman, Rajyasabha, New Delhi) inaugurated the seminar. Sri. Abdu Rub (Minister of Education, Govt. of Kerala) presided the programme. Dr. Kalyana Raman, Professor & Head (Rtd), Department of Statistics, University of Kerala was the resource person. World Statistical day was celebrated on 18.9.2016.

**32)** Gandhijayanthi: Birthday of the father of the nation is celebrated every year under the auspice of NSS. Cleaning of the surroundings of the college along with cleaning of any public places such as railway stations, Government hospitals, old age homes etc.

In 2016, a debate was conducted on the topic 'New Generation Trends' on Gandhi Jayanthi Day. A drawing competition was held on the topic 'Swachh Bharat' on 10.11.2016. Archa and Joshila of III BSc Physics got first and second places respectively. Campus was cleaned jointly with the students of 1(K) Girls Bn and the regular students of the college in connection with Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. An essay writing competition was organised in connection with Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

33) **World Aids Day** (December): World Aids Day takes place on 1 December each year and is an international day dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection and mourning those who have died of the disease. It's an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, to show support for people living with HIV, and to commemorate those who have died from an AIDS-related illness.

An AIDS awareness class was conducted for the public in Apsara tuition centre, Kattakada by Dr. N. Shaji. An awareness programme on World Aids day was conducted on 1.12.2015. On World Aids Day 2016 a rally was organised from college to the bus station and a seminar was conducted which was led by Dr. Riji Rasheed. World Aids day was observed on 1.12.2016 by conducting an awareness rally from the campus to the bus station, Kattakada.

34) **National Youth Day**: National Youth Day is celebrated being the birthday of Swami Vivekananda in order to raise awareness of challenges and problems facing the world's youth, the International Youth Day is celebrated.

National youth day rally organized on 12.1.2016.A seminar was conducted on 12.8.2016 in connection with International Youth Day celebrations. Dr. J.G. Muthuraj handled the class on 'Terrorism'. National Youth day was celebrated by removing plastic materials from the college and from the Thottampara ward on 12.01.2017. Students visited Thottampara village and gave awareness about the ill effects of the use of plastics and urged them to make it a plastic free ward. On Vivekananda Jayanthi day , 12.1.2017, an essay writing competition was conducted which was followed by paper presentation on the topic "The Vision of Swami Vivekananda in Building a New India'.

35) **Wildlife Week celebrations**: The Wildlife Week is celebrated all over the country every year and its aim is to preserve animal life in India. It is because of animal population in forest and other areas the environmental balance is preserved in nature. Talks/events are organized to teach about animal life and save large number of animals by not killing them for food and other purposes.

Mr.RenjanMathew Vargheese State Director WWF India, Kerala and Mr.A.K. Sivakumar Senior Education Officer were the resource persons in the Wild Life Week celebrations 2018 celebrations were organised by the Dept. of Botany on 18.12.2018. 188 participants were attended the function.

36) **Christmas**: Christmas is celebrated to remember the birth of Jesus Christ, who Christians believe is the Son of God. It is celebrated after the student's internal exams ie, two days before the starting of Christmas vacation. In the first day, students celebrate Christmas by arranging manger sets, cake cutting and distribution of Christmas gifts in each and every class along with their class tutors followed by delicious food. In the second day, the staff celebrate Christmas with cake in the presence of Principal, Manager and a distinguished guest who delivers the Christmas message. Carol songs and solo performances are arranging for teaching staffs as well as non-teaching staffs. Along with the usual celebration methods, the college student's union organized a procession by singing carol songs, in and around the college campus.

## Anti dowry day on 26.3.2016.

**World No Tobacco day-** This yearly celebration informs the public on the dangers of using tobacco. It gives alertness about the flavours appealing to children in smokeless tobacco, shisha and e-cigarettes that the tobacco and related industry tactics to attract younger generations.

In 2015, conducted Awareness programme on the harmful effects of tobacco. An awareness rally was conducted on World No-Tobacco Day (17.11.2016) which wasfollowed by a seminar on the topic "The Hazard of Tobacco Use" by Dr. P.S. Shiburaj, Assistant Professor, SMCSI Medical College, Karakonam.