Mahatma Gandhi College Kesavadasapuram, Thiruvananthapuram

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Department of Commerce, in association with IQAC and Research Forum organized a National workshop on *Research Awareness on Bibliographic Analysis, Literature Review and Research Ethics* The participants were given hands-on experience using the various tools and techniques required for citation analysis, writing scholarly articles, and theses, such as Sci2, Pajek etc. The session was successful in educating the participants on the best publication practices, including abiding by research ethics, and avoiding plagiarism, as well as the necessary methods for getting reliable secondary data. The research scholars took part, acknowledged the same during the final feedback session, and asked for more workshops of this type. Dr. Pradeepkumar N, Assistant Professor in Commerce, was the coordinator of the programme and it was conducted on 5th August 2022.





One-Day Workshop on *Thullal: Text and Presentation* was organized by the Department of Malayalam on 26th August 2022 at College Auditorium. MA Malayalam Student, Aromal Hari who is also a professional Thullal artist was the resource person. *Garudagarvabhamgam* was the story selected for the workshop. Students and faculty members from various departments actively participated in the programme. One-Day workshop on *Kadhakali: Text* and *Presentation* was conducted on 30th August 2022 at college auditorium. Marggi Kadhakali Troupe of Thiruvananthapuram led the workshop selecting *Nalacharitham Second Day* for presentation. Dr. P. Venugopalan gave introductory lecture.

The Department of Commerce of our College has conducted a two workshop on *Basic Econometrics* in Hybrid Mode (Online and Offline) during 15th & 16th November, 2022. The targeted participants were students Research scholars, and Faculties of Commerce, Management and Economics. The resource person of the workshop was Dr. S. Kevin, Professor Emeritus, Department of Commerce, University of Kerala (Formerly, Pro Vice Chancellor and Professor, University of Kerala). A total of 325 participants registered for the workshop. Among them 75 participants were in offline mode and 250 participants were in online mode. We have used Google Meet as the online platform for conducting the workshop. Dr. S. Jayadev was the coordinator of the workshop.





Department of Economics organized an International Seminar on the topic *Value, Affordability* and *Decision Making: An Introduction to Health Economics* on 29th November 2022. The resource person was Gayathri Kumar, Senior Economist at the Office of Health Economics, London. The technical session focussed to convince major health economic principles and discussed systematic literature review, economic models, and budget impact analysis. Before concluding the session as per the request of the students who participated in the programme, she briefly discussed the career options in health economics, the session was highly thought-provoking and beneficial to students especially those from the discipline of Economics.



Post Graduate Department of Economics organized a One-day seminar on *Indian Economy After Liberalisation: Performance & Challenges* on December 5, 2022, in the college seminar hall. The seminar focused on global market forces, such as fluctuations in commodity prices, exchange rates and global demand for exports followed by a significant increase in inequality with the income share. The programme started at 10:30 am with the welcome address by Priya L.G (Head of the Department). The dignitaries for the programme were Dr. Anandakumar V M, (Principal), Dr Ratheesh Kumar V K (IQAC Coordinator) & Prof. (Dr.) Bijukumar K (NAAC Coordinator). Opening remarks and Keynote of the programme were given by Dr Sanoop S. He highlighted India's post-1991 economic reforms & evolutionary, incremental nature. Mr. Justine George, Assistant Professor of Economics, St. Pauls College, Kalamassery gave a presentation on the impact of India's trade liberalization as part of its economic reforms

and structural adjustment programs initiated during the 1990s on poverty and income inequality.





The Department of Physics in association with Department of Physics of SD College, Alapuzha and All Saints College, Thiruvananthapuram, Department of Nano Science and Technology, University of Kerala and Luminescence Society of India organised an *International Seminar on Luminescence Materials* (*ISLM-2022*) from 9-10th December 2022 on Houseboat, Backwaters Alappuzha). Several researchers and faculties from abroad and other states of India participated in the program. An abstract of all papers presented were also published.





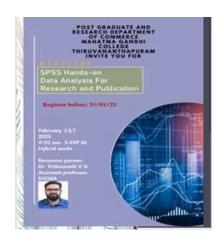
The 108th Indian Science Congress was held from January 3–7, 2023, at R.T.M. Nagpur University, Nagpur, Maharashtra. The research department of botany at Mahatma Gandhi College participated in the congress, and eight Ph.D. research students and a faculty member, Dr. Manoj G. S., presented their research findings in the seminar. The conference deliberated on holistic growth, reviewed economies, and addressed sustainable goals while at the same time addressing possible obstacles to the growth of women in science and technology.



As part of the *Expert Lecture Series* Department of English organized an expert session on *Popular Culture and Literature* on 18th January 2023. The Resource person was Kaikasi V S, Assistant Professor of English, University College, Trivandrum who is also a renowned creative writer and bilingual translator. The *Expert Lecture Series* programme consists of invited sessions and interactions by experts from diverse areas pertaining to English Language and Literature. These interactive sessions are highly beneficial to the students and provide them a platform to interact with academicians and literary personalities.

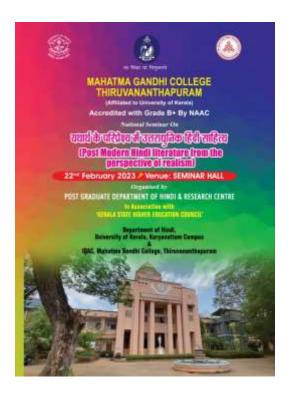


The PG Department of Commerce and Research conducted a workshop on SPSS Hands-On: Data Analysis for Research and Publication on February 2nd and 3rd, 2023 in the Seminar Hall of the Department to bring this vision into reality. In this workshop, participants were exposed to SPSS, a widely used programme for analysing and interpreting large quantities of scientific data, and were given the simplest explanations possible of the application's many features. Dr. Vishnunath V G, Assistant Professor at the Kerala Institute of Cooperative Management handles the sessions. Dr. Pradeep Kumar N, Assistant Professor in Commerce, coordinated the workshop.





Department of Hindi organized a national seminar on *Post Modern Hindi Literature from the Perspective of Realism* on 22nd February 2023 at college seminar hall. The seminar was conducted in association with Kerala State Higher Education Council. Prof. (Dr.) Nanthyath Gopalakrishnan inaugurated the seminar. Renowned writer & critic in Hindi, Dr. Vijay Bahadur Singh delivered the keynote address.









Department of Psychology organized a seminar on Neuro-Development on 13th March, 2023. The seminar was inaugurated by Principal Prof. (Dr.) Nanthyath Gopalakrishnan. Session on Autism was handled by Dr Tincy Ramakrishnan. Smt Meera Raj, HoD, Psychology, Christ College, Vizhinjam delivered an expert session on Learning Disability during the seminar. The participant colleges for the seminar included MG College, Gregorian College, Christ College, Saraswathi College, Govt Womens College and SN College. Students also did a skit on Psychosocial issues of Autism.

Department of Botany organized a Researcher's meet on 18th march 2023 at Botany Lab which was attended by the research guides and research scholars registered at the department research centre. Former HoD's of the department who are also art of the research department are present. The programme stated at 10 am. Dr. Sivu A R, HoD presided the function, all the faculty members of the department were present. Dr. Manoj G S, Dr. Praveen B R, Dr. Sushamaraj, Dr. Santhoshkumar was actively participated in discussion. The meeting discussed about the new policy document approved by the management and they are totally agreeing the conditions of the College.





Department of Physics organized an expert session on *Crystal Growth Techniques* for the research scholars on 18th March 2023. Dr Rajendra Babu K, former Professor and Emeritus Professor of Department of Physics, Mahatma Gandhi College inaugurated the session. He visited the materials science lab and introduce the crystal growth techniques available in our department.



Department of History in association with IQAC organized a national seminar on *Kalari – Showcasing the Living Tradition* on 21st March 2023. The seminar was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) Nanthyath Gopalakrishnan, Principal, mahatma Gandhi College. The inaugural session was followed by the technical session during which research presentations were made by researchers from various institutes. The third session was a Kalari performance and demonstration session and it was handled by Dr. Joy Balan and team.





Postgraduate and Research Department of Malayalam organized a meeting of research scholars and research guides named *Poliv* 2023 on 25th March 2023 at seminar hall. College Principal, Prof. (Dr). Nanthyath Gopalakrishnan inaugurated the meeting. During the meeting, all full-time and part-time research scholars presented their research progress. A technical session on Research Methodology was lectured by Dr. Reeja Ravindran, HoD, Department of Malayalam, N S S College, Niramankara.

Post Graduate Department of Commerce and Research Centre, Mahatma Gandhi College has organised Annual Research Work Progress Presentation, an experience to all full time and part time research scholars on April 1st, 2023. This programme is based on the Research Colloquium activities of the department.



