

"I WISH THE VENTURE ALL THE BEST"

Dr. M.R. Sudarsanakumr (Principal, Mahatma Gandhi College)



Mahatma Gandhi College is a torch bearing institution of the Nair Service Society. Department of History, though an Under Graduate department, plays a crucial role in maintaining the high academic pursuits of this institution.

It arranges various programmes

periodically to augment the curricular, co-curricular and extracurricular activities.

"I am happy to note that the department is bringing out a Newsletter for the Academic Year 2016-17"

Students won victories for the college

The Department of History has a wonderful achievement in Inter-Collegiate, State, National and International level competitions in Sports and Games during the academic year 2016 -2017.

I DC History Drishya V

- Winner Gold Model in South Asian Aquatic Championship at Sreelanka
- Represented India and participated in Under 20 Asian Age Group Aquatic Championship at Bangkok
- Recordholder in KUIC 800 Mts. Free style

Soorya Surendran

Winner Gold Medal in South Asian Aquatic Championship

Jithu SP

Winner Gold Medal in South Asian Aquatic Championship

II DC History

Pooja. S

- Winner Gold Medal in South Asian Aquatic Championship
- Gold Medal in Senior National Water polo championship at Jharkhand
- > Represented Kerala university in Inter Collegiate Meet

Winner Gold Medal in Senior National Water

Polo Bronze Medal in Junior National Water Polo

- Represented India and participated in Under 20 Asian Age Group Aquatic Championship at Bangkok
- Gold Medal in Junior National Water Polo
- Represented Kerala University and participated in All India Inter University Championship.

Malavika SS, Sukanya S & Sooryamol L

 Participated in Inter Collegiate ball Badminton Championship

- III DC History Akhil M
 - Represented Kerala University and participated in All India Inter University Ball Badminton Championship at SRM Chennai.

One day programme on *Nationalism* and *Independence*

UGC has declared the period between August 9 to 23 as Freedom Fortnight or Azadi Yad 70 Karo Kurbani. In connection with this the Department of History organised а one а programme on the theme Nationalism and Independence on 17/08/2016 at the Seminar Hall.



In the morning session students' programmes on Indian nationalism were staged in the seminar Hall.

The students designed posters on Indian Freedom Movement and displayed the same in the corridor of the department.

Afternoon session started at 1.30 pm and the programme was inaugurated by Dr. M.R. Sudarsanakumar, Principal of the college.

The logo of the Manuscript Magazine, was also released by the Principal and Prof. V. Karthikeyan Nair, Director, Kerala Bhasha Institute. Prof. Karthikeyan Nair delivered a speech on Indian nationalism and Kerala.



Dr. Gopakumar. N, Council Secretary, Dr. S. Balachandran, Co-Ordinator IQAC, Sri. NK Sunilkumar, Department of Sociology, Sri. Sudheeshkumar. J, Department of Political Science, Ms. Bindu K. Ravi, Dept. of History, Sri. Asokan, Kerala Bhasha Institute and Sri. Nandakishore SH, Fifth Semester BA student were made the felicitations. Dr. Harikumar. S, Dept. of History expressed the Vote of Thanks.

The aim of the programme is to kindle the the spirit of Nationalism and Patriotism among the students as well as to remember the supreme sacrifices made by the great freedom fighters of India during the freedom struggle.



Onam A Celebration for the College

The department has actively participated in all the programmes in connection with Onam Celebrations.

On 9/9/2016, Friday the department arranged a grand Onam feast. The dishes of the feast were brought by the students from their homes including *Vazhayila*.

History Department conducted a Quiz Competition in connection with Gandhijayanthi (03/10/2016)

Topic: Gandhiji and Indian Independence Movement, Total participation Eight Departments (Chemistry, Hindi, English, History, Economics, Physics, sociology & Psychology) Monitor Dr. Harikumar. S First PrizeDept. of Chemistry (Nandu BS & Midhun Raj) Second Prize1) Dept. of Hindi (Gopika SR & Ashakrishna U) 2) Dept. of English (Anaswar Krishnan B & Amrutha MA)

Third PrizeDept. of History (Praveen M & Syam Mohan)

Department Of History Released The Magazine "Cheppad"

Dr. M.R. Sudarsanakumar, Principal of the college released the Department Magazine,

Chepped, on 30/03/2017 in the College Day celebrations held at the Seminar Hall.





As part of the Continuous Evaluation Process under CBCSS, Department of History has conducted a site visit for S1 and S5 students on 24/11/2016, Thursday to *Keralam*-Museum of History and Heritage, Park View and Napier Art Museum, TVPM.

The team consisting of 43 students and 3 teaching faculty from the Department arrived at Museum of History and Heritage at 10.30 AM. The Museum is a Kerala Government undertaking institution having a treasure house of traditional artefacts keepings on Pre-Historic culture of



Kerala.

The authority of the museum has given a warm welcome to the team and made special arrangements for viewing the exhibits. A documentary presentation of 40 minutes was played for the students in the Virtual Thematic Theatre. The documentary unravelled the story of the Pre-Historic culture of Kerala with special reference to Megalithic Monuments and Burial practices. The documentary also found mentioning about the development of culture and civilization of early Kerala in a lucid yet touching manner.

Features of Neolithic cave shelters such as Marayoor, Edakkal and Thevara and cave

paintingss and its petrographics and petroglift techniques were clearly explained in this documentary.

The team also visited the two storied Heritage building, having a paradise of artefacts and images of Kerala tradition.

The Neolithic tools, mural paintings, replica of archaeological monuments etc. are the special attraction of the Museum. In the Museum Interactive Kiosks are provided for familiarising the features of Kerala Culture.

After having their lunch, the team visited the nearby Napier Art Museum, TVPM. In this museum a large variety of cultural images, artefacts, musical instruments, royal furniture including a *Ratha*, ornaments etc. are displayed.

By about 3PM the programme came to an end and the accompanying faculty made arrangements to the students for going back home by bus.

The site visit was very much informative and fruitful for the students not only for their academic performance but for enriching their awareness about the legacy of the Pre-Historic culture of Kerala also.

Feedback from the students reads that they are satisfied and demanding more such visits. They also attested that it was their first experience in this manner so far.

Inauguration of Tourism Club & Talks on *Human Rights; A Historical Overview*

Department organised a programme on the Inauguration of Tourism Club & prize distribution to the winners of Quiz Competition conducted in connection with Gandhi Jayanthi Celebration and Talks on *Human Rights; A Historical Overview* on 13/12/2016 (Tuesday), 10 AM in the Seminar Hall.

Mr. Sudheeshkumar. J (Dept. of Political Science, MG College, TVPM presented a paper on *Human Rights: An Indian Perspective and* Dr. Robinson Jose. K (NCC Officer, University College, TVPM presented a paper on *Human Rights Violations in Travancore*.







Department has conducted a Study tour to Coorg, Mysore and Wonderla from 10/03/2017 to 14/03/2017.

Thirty-one students from Sixth semester BA, and two teachingfaculties (Dr. Harikumar. S & Ms. Bindu K Ravi) guided the Tour Programme.

NANDAKISHORE AND JITHU SP RECEIVED THE **SCHOLARSHIP**



In a functionin connection with the distribution of Mannam Scholarships on 28 March 2017 at College Auditorium, Hon. Minister for Dewaswam and Co-Operation, Sri. Kadakampalli Surendran. Distributedawards to Sri. Nandakishore SH (III DC History) and Jithu. SP (I DC History).



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