



Department of Youth Welfare
Cochin University of Science and Technology



Annual Report 2019-20







It has been ten amazing years since I started working in the Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kerala. A decade is a long time and we tried to produce best results. For the last ten years, every year, we bought laurels at national and international level to the University. We concentrated mainly on arts and cultural activities for the last years and many of our students are working in film industry, theatre groups, music orchestras, NGOs and as best performers in big corporates. We have been working on how to make people success through arts and culture. Of course, we must explore more, concentrating more in academic interventions and research as well. As it is mentioned in the previous reports, we worked in limitations, still working in it. But while looking back in the edge of the tenth year, we feel happy and proud. We hope by the next academic year, we will be able to offer more short-term courses, trainings and research as well.

Department of Youth Welfare is a formal platform in the University to design and implement youth policy which includes the issues related to motivation, participation, promotion of socio-economic and cultural settings within which young people grow up. The Department is organising a plethora of arts and cultural programmes, trainings and workshops for the students of the University. The core values of the Department are defined in 4 C's- Confidence, Competence, Creativity and Compassion.

Working with people is all about success. No one can whistle a symphony. It takes a whole orchestra to play it. Without the unconditional support, tolerance and love of the students, we were unable to step forward. Their enthusiasm only made us to take challenges and think about new activities. We would like to thank Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Registrar and all members of the syndicate for providing invaluable support throughout the year. We would also like to thank Finance Officer; Controller of Examinations; Chief Warden, all the Directors of Schools, Heads of the Departments and Principal, School of Engineering, CUCEK and other colleges for their great interest and support in all the activities. Personally, I would like to thank all for the ten remarkable years of warmth, friendship, and support. We absolutely couldn't have done it without you, nor can we take the next steps without your help. I hope you'll keep holding us to high standards and telling us when we have met your expectations and when we have let you down.

Due to Covid 19, we were unable to continue programmes after February 2020.

Ten years in a profession is a long period, but there is still a lot to learn and a lot to teach. Hope we can add more flavours for variety of tastes.

Dr. P K Baby, Director, Students Welfare.



Break the Chain

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ANTI RAGGING AWARENESS CAMPAIGN 2019

Anti-ragging awareness campaign of the Cochin University of Science & Technology 2019-20, jointly organised by the District legal Service Authority, Department of Youth Welfare, CUSAT and CUSAT Legal Aid Clinic, commenced with the inaugural function at the Kunjali Marakkar School of Marine Engineering on 08.07.2019. The campaign was inaugurated by Dr. Kauser Edappagath, Hon'ble District & Sessions Judge and Chairman, District Legal Service Authority. The Hon'ble District & Sessions Judge stressed on the need to create awareness about the anti-ragging laws among the student community and cautioned the students about the consequences of engaging in ragging activities. The presidential address was delivered by



Prof (Dr.) K.N. Madhusudan, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUSAT who said that there will be zero tolerance towards ragging from the University. Mr. Viswanath R, IPS, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Thrikkakara in his Special Address on the occasion said that the Policedepartment was geared up to combat ragging and drug abuse among the students. Adv. P.T. Jose, President of Ernakulam Bar Association offered felicitation. Dr. K.A Simon, Director, School of Marine Engineering Welcomed the gathering and Mrs. Jean Vinitha Peter, Asst Prof, School of Legal Studies & Faculty Co-ordinator of Cochin University Legal Aid Clinic (CULAC) proposed vote of thanks. Dr. Ajitha K, Registrar, Sri. A.K Basheer, Municipal Councillor, Dr. P K Baby, Director, Department of Youth Welfare, Heads of

various Departments, Faculties in Charge of the anti-ragging cell, Hostel Warden, Hostel Managers & Matrons, Dr. Binumole K, Assistant Professor & Faculty Co-ordinator, CULAC Student Volunteers of



the Cochin University Legal Aid Clinic and the Senior students of the B. Tech Marine Science of the Kunjali Marakkar School of Marine Engineering were present on the occasion.

Anti-Ragging classes for the Senior students of the B. Tech Civil, Safety & Fire Engineering and B. Tech Electrical Engineering were held on 09.07.2019 at 2.30 p.m in the Placement Hall of the School of Engineering. Hon'ble First class Addl. District Judge, Ernakulam, Mr.Biju Menon handled the session. He gave an enlightening session on Anti ragging and Anti drug laws and spoke on the consequences that ragging can have on the career of the students. He also highlighted the legislative history of the anti ragging laws.

Anti-ragging classes for the senior students of the School of Management Studies & Department of Hindi were held on 10.07.2019 at 10.A.M in the auditorium of the School of Management Studies. Dr. Binumole K, Assistant Professor of the School of Legal Studies and co-ordinator, CULAC delivered an informative lecture on the various Anti ragging laws in addition to the UGC Regulations on anti ragging highlighting the penal provisions & other sanctions that would ensue as regards the erring students.



The Anti ragging awareness class for the senior students of the departments of Mathematics and Statistics were held in the Seminar Hall of the Department of Mathematics on 16.07.2019 at 2.30

p.m. the session was handled by Senior Judicial First Class Magistrate, Mrs. Vineetha who gave an overview of the acts that would come within the purview of ragging & other sanctions under the Kerala legislation. Adv. Bindu, Resource person of DLSA also addressed the gathering.

The Anti ragging awareness class for the senior students of the School of Legal Studies was held in the Seminar Hall of the School of Legal Studies was held on 17.07.2019 at 2.30p.m. Mr. Shamnad S, Hon'ble Additional Munsiff, Ernakulam delivered the lecture on anti ragging laws highlighting the background of passing the state legislation on anti ragging laws. Mrs. Saleena V.G. Nair, Hon'ble Sub Judge & Secretary, District Legal Service Authority also spoke on the occasion emphasising on the consequences of being booked for offences under the anti ragging laws. The second part of the session on anti drugs was dealt with by Mrs. G. Poomkuzhali IPS, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Law & Order), Kochi.



The anti ragging awareness class for the 2nd batch of senior students in the school of Engineering was held on 18.07.2019. Two consecutive sessions were held for two batches of senior B. Tech students of Electronics, Information Technology and Computer Science. Mr. P.G Suresh, Mediator and Advocate, High Court of Kerala was the key speaker in both Sessions. He gave an enlightening session on the causes of criminal behaviour in a student which leads him to criminal activities like ragging along with the various provisions of the Kerala Prohibition of Ragging Act, 1998.

The Anti ragging awareness class for the senior students of the Department of Polymer Science & Rubber Technology and the senior students of the Department of Bio-technology was held on 19.07.2019 at the Seminar Hall of the Department of Polymer Science & Rubber Technology at 11.30 A.M. Mr. A Ananthlal, Circle Inspector of Police, Metro Police Station Kalamassery, was the key Speaker. He delivered a very vibrant and informative lecture on the various aspects of ragging and drug abuse among the student community.

The anti-ragging session for the senior students of the B. Tech Ship Technology and the senior students of B. Tech Instrumentation was held on 19.07.2019 at 2.30 pm in the Seminar Hall of the Department of Ship Technology. The first Session on Anti ragging was held by Mr. Shamnad S. Hon'ble Additional Munsiff, Ernakulam and the second session on Anti-drugs was dealt with by Mr. A Ananthlal, Circle Inspector of Police, Metro Police station, Kalamasserry.

The anti-ragging awareness class for the Senior students of the International School of Photonics and the senior students of the Departments of Physics and Chemistry were held on 29.07.2019 at 2.30 p.m. The first session on anti ragging was held by Mr. Prasad, Circle Inspector of Police, Kalamasserry. The second session on anti drugs was dealt with by Mr. V.T Job, Faculty, Excise Department.

As part of the Anti Ragging campaign, measures were taken for strict compliance of the UGC regulations on Anti ragging in the various departments of the University and the campus. We remember with gratitude Mrs. Saleena V. G. Nair, Hon'ble Sub Judge & Secretary, DLSA and the staff of DLSA for their whole-hearted co-operation and assistance in arranging the resource persons for the various sessions and making this programme a success.



Flood Relief Material Collection Centre at CUSAT

In the wake of second onslaught of floods in Kerala, the Vice Chancellor of Cochin University of Science and Technology entrusted Department of Youth Welfare to open a collection and distribution centre at the Science Seminar Complex of the University. The centre started functioning by 6.pm on 09.08.2019. The materials flowed from 10th morning onwards. On 10th they have distributed collected materials to the nearby relief camps in Kalamassery, Eloor, Paravoor and Aluva. By evening, when the district administration started distribution of materials to local areas, the University stopped the local distribution and decided to transport commodities to Malappuram, Kozhikkode and Wayanad districts. About 80 student volunteers deployed to work in the collection centre. Volunteers take up various responsibilities that include, collection, inward registration, sorting, packing, outward registration, logistics and support, transportation. University provided it's all vehicles for the transportation.



Residents associations, staff associations, social organisations and individuals donated all essential materials in the camp. It included tonnes of grocery, textiles, chappals, packaged food items, bottled water, baby care items, cleaning materials etc. the collection centre worked under the guidance of Honourable Vice Chancellor Dr. K.N Madhussodhanan, Dr. P.G Sankaran, Pro-Vice Chancellor and Dr. K Ajitha, Registrar. Journalist Ms. Shahina Nafeesa, social activists, Purushan Eloor, T.B Mini, Adv. Nimmy, C.R Pushpa, theatre film actors Rajesh Sharma, Gokulan and Lookman attended the camp as full timers.

We have sent 4 loads to Nilamboor, 2 loads to Kalpetta, 2 loads to Mananthawadi, 1 load to Peerumedu, 1 load to Panamaram and 3 full loads to Eloor on the final day. Many people helped us by providing vehicles at free of cost, few sponsored food for volunteers, some others sponsored fuel expenses.

On the other side, students another group of students made the digitalisation of relief camp details for district administration at Computer Applications Department. There were around 163 camps in the district with around 21000 inhabitants. The data entry work was done under the leadership of Ms. M.S. Madhavikkutty, Assistant Collector, Ernakulam.

Days in the collection centre was a wonderful experience for the student volunteers. They worked 12 to 14 hours a day without rest. The student team proved their societal commitment through working for others. As Shahina Nafeesa written in social media that, 'nothing more a University can give to their students than values. That CUSAT did'.



Training and data entry of affected people in association with the district administration

MUSIC WORKSHOP



Department of Youth Welfare
Cochin University of Science and Technology

Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology organized a music workshop for selected students, both in eastern and western, during 23 – 25, August 2019 with a mission to awake and nourish the unique musical spirit that lies in every student. The objectives of the workshop were:

- To explore and demonstrate skills in understanding and appreciating music.
- To demonstrate knowledge of the variety of materials/media used to make music in varied settings.
- To demonstrate critical listening skills through the discussion of compositions using musical terms and expressions.
- To react and make informed criticisms about individual and group creative efforts.



Ms. Sajna Sudheer, known singer and Assistant Professor in Music, Government Women's College Trivandrum was the key resource person. The workshop started with primary music education, which is critical in terms of the students' musical development, including music literacy. Then the workshop developed into various aspects of skills in music education, such as, voice quality, sense of rhythm, types of pitch, aural skill, modulations, mic arrangements etc. After a detailed demonstration on all these aspects, she talked about differences and similarities between Indian and Western music. In the last day, students made their own small group productions based on the learning in the workshop.

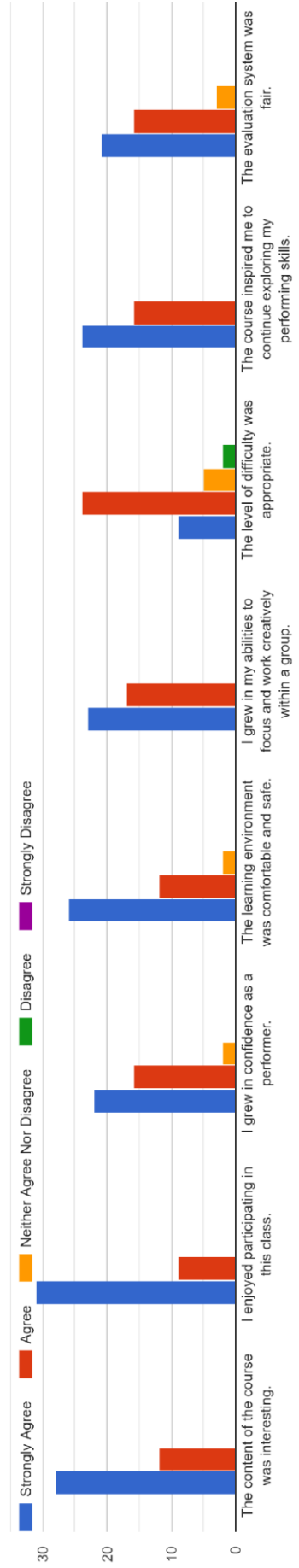
As widely accepted, Music Workshops help to develop brain areas involved in language and reasoning. The workshop helped the participants to physically develop the cognitive part of their brain, known to be involved with processing language, linking familiar songs to new information etc. The three days experience increased their ability to think creatively and to solve problems by imagining various solutions, rejecting outdated rules and assumptions.

In general, students were in positive emotions – excitement, surprise, pride, joy – light up the faces of adult students. They enjoyed all sessions and it was an excited and innovative experience in their life.

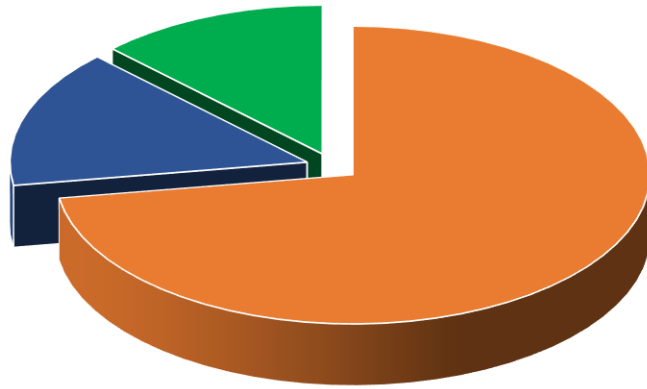




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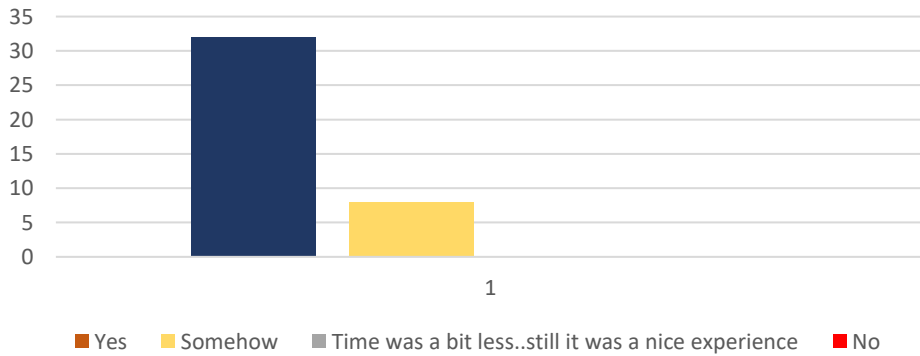


What is your overall assessment of the event?



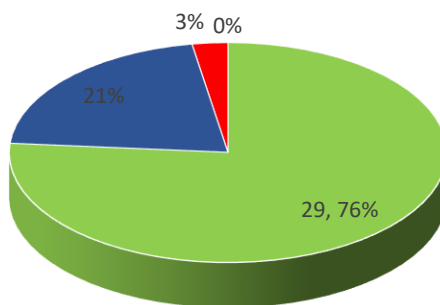
■ Excellent
 ■ Very Good
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 ■ Fair
 ■ To be improved

Did the knowledge and information gained from participation at this event meet your expectations?



■ Yes
 ■ Somewhat
 ■ Time was a bit less..still it was a nice experience
 ■ No

Did the knowledge and information gained from participation at this event Will be useful/applicable in my work?



■ Defenitely
 ■ Mostly
 ■ Somehow
 ■ Nor at all



ACTOR TRAINING WORKSHOP



A three-day workshop on Actor training was organised by the Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology during 23 – 25, August 2019 with a mission to awake and nourish the unique talent that lies in every student. The major objectives of the programmes were:

- To train and develop the acting skills and to cultivate the creative talent of each actor-student.
- To instill the necessary strength, stamina, flexibility, and energy in each student-actor's body.
- To give the actor-student the experience of working within an ensemble for three days.

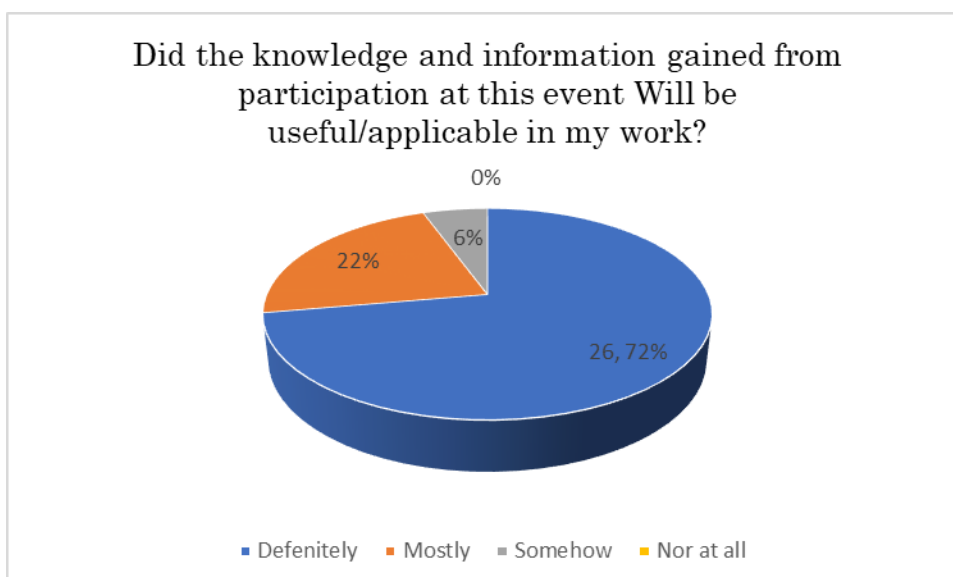
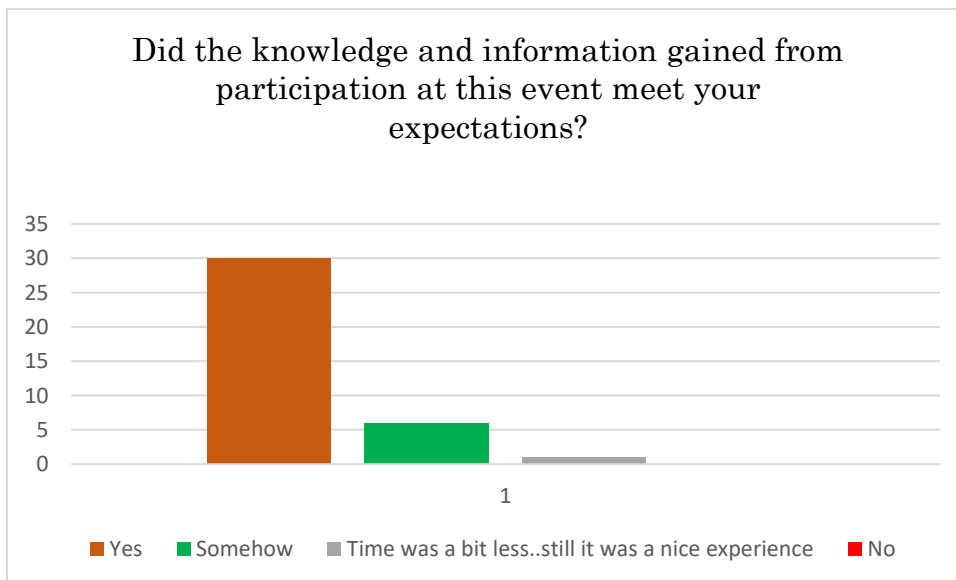
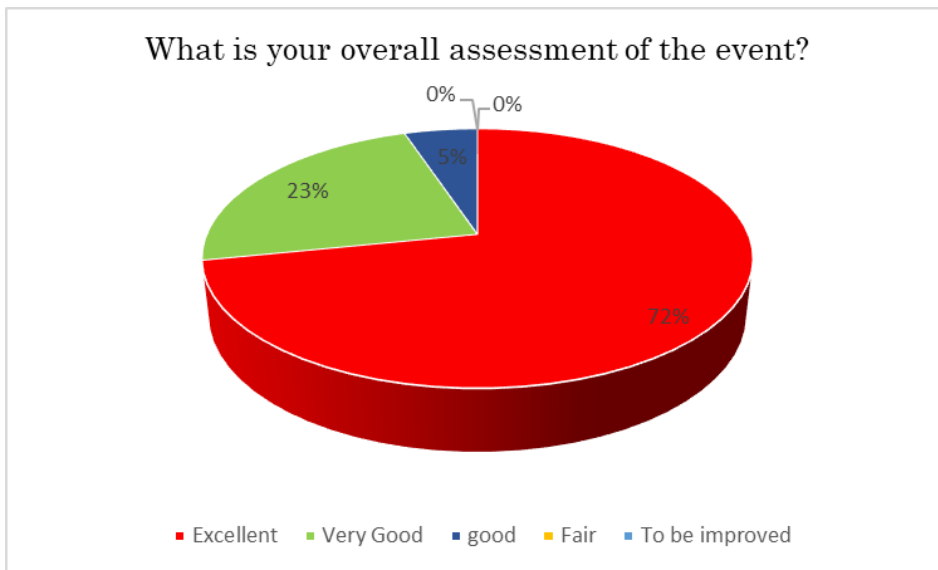


Thirty-seven selected students from various departments participated. Mr. Arunlal and Mr. Prakash were the resource persons of the workshop. Theatre, as medium can be used as an effective teaching-learning tool and it engage participant at physical, emotional, mental and social levels, simultaneously. The Workshop covered different aspects of acting ranging from movement, voice, props, improvisation and stage knowledge. Students were given creative freedom to improvise and come up with their own stories. Every student participated in the given tasks with great zeal. The workshop offered new insights and understanding to students.

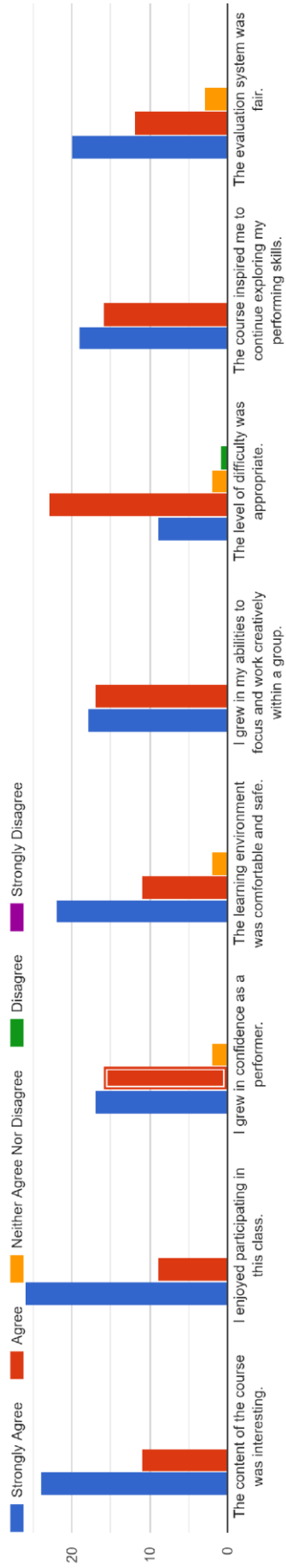
Each student gave their personalised feedback as a worthwhile and an outstanding workshop. They said that it is hard to imagine that someone could have techniques to stimulate something as ethereal as creativity. In short, the camp was a wonderful, creative experience for the participants. The workshop was highly beneficial for the participants. One of the participants commented that, ‘through guided improvisation, stimulus work and movement, we unleashed our creativity and learned about life and how to face different situations in life.’



Student Feedback



The following questions are about COURSE CONTENT. Please choose only one response for each item.



Monsoon Madness

Experiencing Nature



The Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology has organized monsoon Madness: Experiencing Nature, a three days residential monsoon camp from 16 – 18, September 2019 at Ottamarampara, Vagamon. The primary goal of the Camp was to provide students with an opportunity to immerse them into nature and to get better sense of understanding and appreciation about the resources and deep beauty of nature.



The team started from the University on 16th September morning at 9 a.m. and reached the destination at around 3 p.m. Dr. P. K Baby, Director, Department of Youth Welfare and Mrs. Aruna Kailas, Assistant Registrar, Audit escorted the team. Sri. Prince, member of Idukki Forest Development agency gave an introductory lecture on the geographical features of the area. Dr. P K Baby explained about the importance on ecosystem and about the value of numerous species which made the world sustainable. After the meeting and refreshment, the team took a walk to the Panchali Hills.



After the dinner, participants sat together and discussed on the concern about nature in students and how to protect it. At the night a 34-minutes documentary, Plastic Cow, made by Kunal Vohra in 2012 which looks at the impact of our almost complete dependence on plastic bags. The movie left most of the campers in tears. They came forward and voluntarily pledged to minimize their plastic consumption and make sure that the plastic that they use and the people around them use doesn't reach to the mouth of the cow. The session was insightful and enlightened the team.

The second day started with a brisk morning walk which enhanced the minds with positive vibes. The vision of sparkling sunlight was worth of sight. The next slot of time was for trekking! The students of the camp were escorted by forest guards. The long peaceful journey into the wild was a unique one. Spending some time with the nature provided a healing energy to the campers. They were able to see various species of flora and fauna. The climb was difficult, but the view from the top was worth it. After reaching the camp, a meeting was convened, where personal experiences regarding the trekking were discussed. By about 6:30 p.m., a camp fire was arranged at the Panchali hills. The team discussed on the social issue of gender prejudice wherein the students expressed their views. Discussion was also done on the current situation and consequences being faced by the amazon rain forests, which were supported by videos explaining the same. The students also discussed on adopting various methods and practices to avoid and get rid of plastics in their daily lives and to eliminate plastic wastes from the campus. As a result, a program to clean the campus was planned to be conducted on 2nd October, in connection with 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

On the third and final day, the team visited a fresh lake which bore a striking resemblance to a waterfall. The very first view of the fall was breath taking. Every camper was overwhelmed with joy on experiencing the magical moment. The session between 10:30 to 1:00pm witnessed sharing each one's experience at monsoon madness. The team headed back to CUSAT by 3 p.m. and reached by 7:30 p.m.

The camp was indeed successful in all aspects. All the students were able to learn lot of values regarding the need of saving the nature, the control that humans require to have in sustaining the wild life and how we can help ourselves in enhancing the wild life. The camp provided fundamentals for improvement, as well as, taught sportsmanship, leadership and teamwork. Yes, it was Monsoon Madness. The true spirit of nature. The students said that they were indeed lucky to be part of monsoon madness. The Department has collected feedback from students to understand the value of this camp. Getting outside and exploring the nature helped them to develop an appreciation of the environment, the environmental issues and how to make a difference to improve the environment. All campers agreed that the major contribution of the camp is the understanding on compassion and team work. The findings from the feedback indicated that the camp was a unique educational institution and a positive force in youth development.







Second edition of

CUSAT

Model United Nations

The Second Edition of CUSAT Model United Nations 2019 organized by the Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology held at University campus during 20-22 September 2019. The main aim of CUSAT MUN'19 was to create awareness among the world's future citizens about the issues plaguing countries at large. Dr. P.G Sankaran Pro-vice Chancellor inaugurated the program at SMS auditorium. He said, the Model United Nations organized by the Department of Youth Welfare aim to achieve the objectives of the new Education policy of the central and state governments, which emphasis on active pedagogy that will focus on the development of core capacities: and life skills, including 21st-century skills. Dr. P K Baby, Director Department of Youth Welfare presided over the function. He said, by participating in such discussions, we are making informed individuals and responsible citizens, which is a



is a pre requisite for successful democracy. This helps to develop future policy makers for the world. Student Coordinator Mr. Joel Jimmy welcomed the gathering and Secretary General, Mr. Safal Tom proposed vote of thanks.



Participants in Model United Nations conferences, known as delegates, are placed in committees and assigned countries to represent, or occasionally other organizations or political figures, where they represent members of that body. They are presented with their assignments in advance, along with a topic or topics that their committee will discuss. Delegates conduct research before conferences and formulate positions that they will then debate with their fellow delegates in the committee. At the end of a conference, the best-performing delegates in each committee, as well as delegations, are recognized with awards.

The second edition of MUN'19 had five Committees, viz, UNHRC, Crisis Committee, AIPPM, UNGA DISEC as well as International Press. Each committee had different agendas for deliberation and the moderators made sure all the delegates had a chance to express. The delegates who participated in the CUSAT MUN'19 were of different age groups but all of them were treated equally despite their ages. CUSAT MUN'19 brought the best in their delegates. AIPPM had the agenda of critical analysis of Indian politics, where 44 delegates represented leaders of Indian political parties. Similarly, UN HRC, Crisis Committee and UNGA DISEC had its own agendas. The duty of International press or IP was to report about each of the committees mentioned above. IP also had photographers covering the other four committees.



The agenda of UNGA-DISEC was Weapon trafficking and International drug trade. The AIPPM: Discussed on Article 370 of Indian Constitution. The UNHRC discussed issues related to LGBTQ community internationally. The CRISIS committee discussed about World War III. The CUSAT MUN'19 helped the delegates and participants to foster negotiation, speaking and communication skills. to get rid of the stage fear, to gain knowledge about the different diasporas of the world, the

issues they face, and also got to meet new people and interact with them. CUSAT MUN'19 provided a dais for the young minds to explore and develop their skills.

The Executive Boards of each committee had an important role in the making of the committees. The EB of the UNHRC consisted of Mr. Anindya Siddhant, Mr. Sangeeth C Shajan and Ms. Sukanya Banerjee. AIPPM had Mr. Rudraksh as the moderator, Mr. Gourav as the assistant moderator, and Ms. Aparna Subramanian as the Scribe. Crisis committee was mentored by Mr. Fazil Razak- Chair person, Ms. Gayathri Muraleedaran- Vice Chairperson, Mr. Muhammed Zaman-Director. The DISEC committee was chaired by Mr. Siddant Mukerjee and Mr. Sandip Kishan along with the Director Mr. Mukund Rajesh. All the committees started with the roll call and general speakers list were framed. Discussions on different allowed topics were effectively held in all the venues.



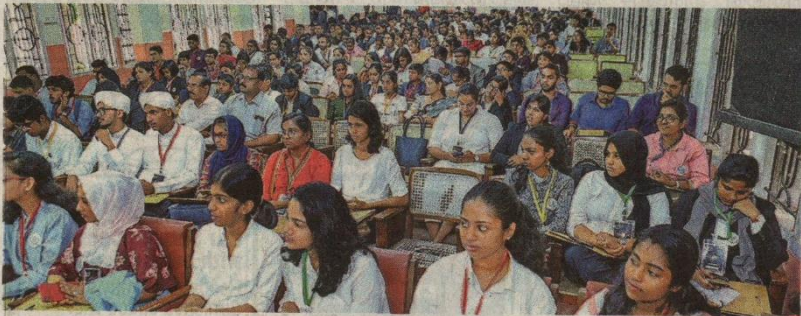
The second day of Model United Nations was more effective and active. All the committees started their activities around 10:00 and discussions were held. Socials event was launched the same day at 7:30 and most of delegates participated too. Food and cultural events added color to the program.

The third day being the last day consisted of making draft resolutions and passing of the same. Different agendas and their solutions concluded during the 3rd day. The international press conference was also scheduled the same day where IP heads along with journalists and photographers questioned delegates on their respective issues. All committees concluded their sessions by 5:00 and Valedictory Ceremony started by 5:45pm. Awards for Best Delegate, High Commendation and Honorable Mention were given during the ceremony. VIT, Chennai, got the award for Best Delegation. Mr. Safal Tom, Secretary General, concluded CUSAT MUN 2019 with the vote of thanks.

Arjun Varma from Global Public School was declared as the best journalist and Akshay Gopan from School of Legal Studies, CUSAT declared as the best photo journalist by the IPM committee. Mr. Yadhu Krishnan from Jain University, Aakash Ajayakumar from NUALS, Ashok Neelakandan School of Legal studies, CUSAT, Derik Mathew School of Legal studies, CUSAT and Arya Gayathri R from Bhavans Vidhya Mandir were declared special mention by the United Nations General Assembly disarmament and international security matters. Mr. Rahul Rajendra Nath from School of legal studies CUSAT was declared as the best delegate under CRISIS Committee. Mr. Hisham Abdul Salam form V.I.T Chennai and Aravind Krishnan, V.I.T Chennai bagged High commendation under United Nations Human Rights Council committee. Meenakshi Lekhi - Anagha P, from School of Legal Studies CUSAT, Omar Abdulla – Sawjanya from VIT Chennai bagged High commendation under All India Political Party Meeting. VIT Chennai bagged best delegation award.







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രാജ്യാന്തര നയതന്ത്ര ബന്ധങ്ങൾ, രാഷ്ട്രീയ സാഹചര്യങ്ങൾ, യൂഎൻ പ്രവർത്തന രീതികൾ എന്നിവയിലെല്ലാം വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്ക് പരിചയം നേടാൻ മോഡൽ യൂഎൻ സഹായിക്കും. വിവിധ കമ്മിറ്റികളിൽ വ്യത്യസ്ത രാജ്യങ്ങളുടെ നയതന്ത്ര പ്രതിനിധികളായും രാഷ്ട്രീയ നേതാക്കളായും മത്സരാർത്ഥികൾ പങ്കെടുക്കുന്നുണ്ട്.

സഹൽ ടോം സെക്രട്ടറി ജനറലായും ജോയൽ ജിമ്മി കൺവീനറും ജെറി പിറ്റർ ഡയറക്ടർ ജനറലുമായ സംഘാടക സമിതിയാണ് നേതൃത്വം നൽകുന്നത്. 235 വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളാണ് മോഡൽ യൂഎൻ പങ്കെടുക്കുന്നത്.

കുസാറ്റ് യുവജനക്ഷേമ വകുപ്പ് സംഘടിപ്പിക്കുന്ന മാതൃക ഐക്യരാഷ്ട്രസഭ പ്രോ-വൈസ് ചാൻസലർ ഡോ. പി.ജി. ശങ്കരൻ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്യുന്നു

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വയോജനക്ഷേമ വകുപ്പ് ഡയറക്ടർ ഡോ. പി.കെ. ബേബി കോഓഡിനേറ്റർ ജോയൽ ജിമ്മി സാഹൽ ടോം എന്നിവർ സംസാരിച്ചു. ഞായറാഴ്ച സമാപിക്കും.

കുസാറ്റിൽ മോഡൽ യൂണൈറ്റഡ് നേഷൻസ് സമാപിച്ചു

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സമാപന ചടങ്ങിൽ സർവകലാശാല യൂത്ത് വെൽഫെയർ ഡയറക്ടർ ഡോ. പി.കെ. ബേബി സമ്മാനം വിതരണം ചെയ്തു.

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കൊച്ചി ശാസ്ത്ര സാങ്കേതിക സർവകലാശാലാ യുവജന ക്ഷേമ വകുപ്പ് മേധാവി ഡോ. പി.കെ. ബേബി ചടങ്ങിൽ അധ്യക്ഷനായി. സംഘാടക സമിതി സെക്രട്ടറി ജനറൽ സഹൽ ടോം, കൺവീനർ ജോയൽ ജിമ്മി എന്നിവർ സംസാരിച്ചു. രാജ്യത്തെ വിവിധ കോളേജ്-സർവകലാശാലാ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾ പല രാജ്യത്തെ പ്രതിനിധികളാണ് സഭയിൽ പങ്കെടുക്കുന്നത്. ഇവർ സഭയുടെ കീഴിലുള്ള അഞ്ച് കമ്മിറ്റികളിൽ ഏതെങ്കിലുമൊന്നിൽ അംഗങ്ങളാകും.



കുസാറ്റിൽ ഐക്യരാഷ്ട്ര സഭാ മാതൃകാ സമ്മേളനം പ്രോ വൈസ് ചാൻസലർ ഡോ. പി.ജി. ശങ്കരൻ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്യുന്നു

ഡർ പ്രശ്നങ്ങളും, ഐക്യരാഷ്ട്ര സഭാ മാതൃകാ സമ്മേളനം പ്രോ വൈസ് ചാൻസലർ ഡോ. പി.ജി. ശങ്കരൻ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്യുന്നു. കുസാറ്റിലെ എസ്.എം.എസ്, ഫോട്ടോണിക്സ്, ഇലക്ട്രോണിക്സ്, പോളിമർ സയൻസ് എന്നിവിടങ്ങളിലെ ഓഡിറ്റോറിയത്തിലാണ് സമ്മേളനങ്ങൾ നടക്കുന്നത്. സഭ ഞായറാഴ്ച സമാപിക്കും. ചർച്ചചെയ്ത വിഷയങ്ങളിൽ എടുത്ത തീരുമാനം പ്രമേയമായി ഞായറാഴ്ച പാസാക്കും. വൈസ് ചാൻസലർ സമാപനം, വൈസ് ഡിബേറ്റർ എന്നീ വിഭാഗങ്ങളിൽ വിജയിക്കുന്നവർക്ക് കാഷ് അവാർഡും പ്രശസ്തിപത്രവും നൽകും. 'മാതൃഭൂമി' മിഡിയ പാർട്ണറും 'ക്ലബ്ബ് എഫ്.എം.' റേഡിയോ പാർട്ണറും ആണ്.

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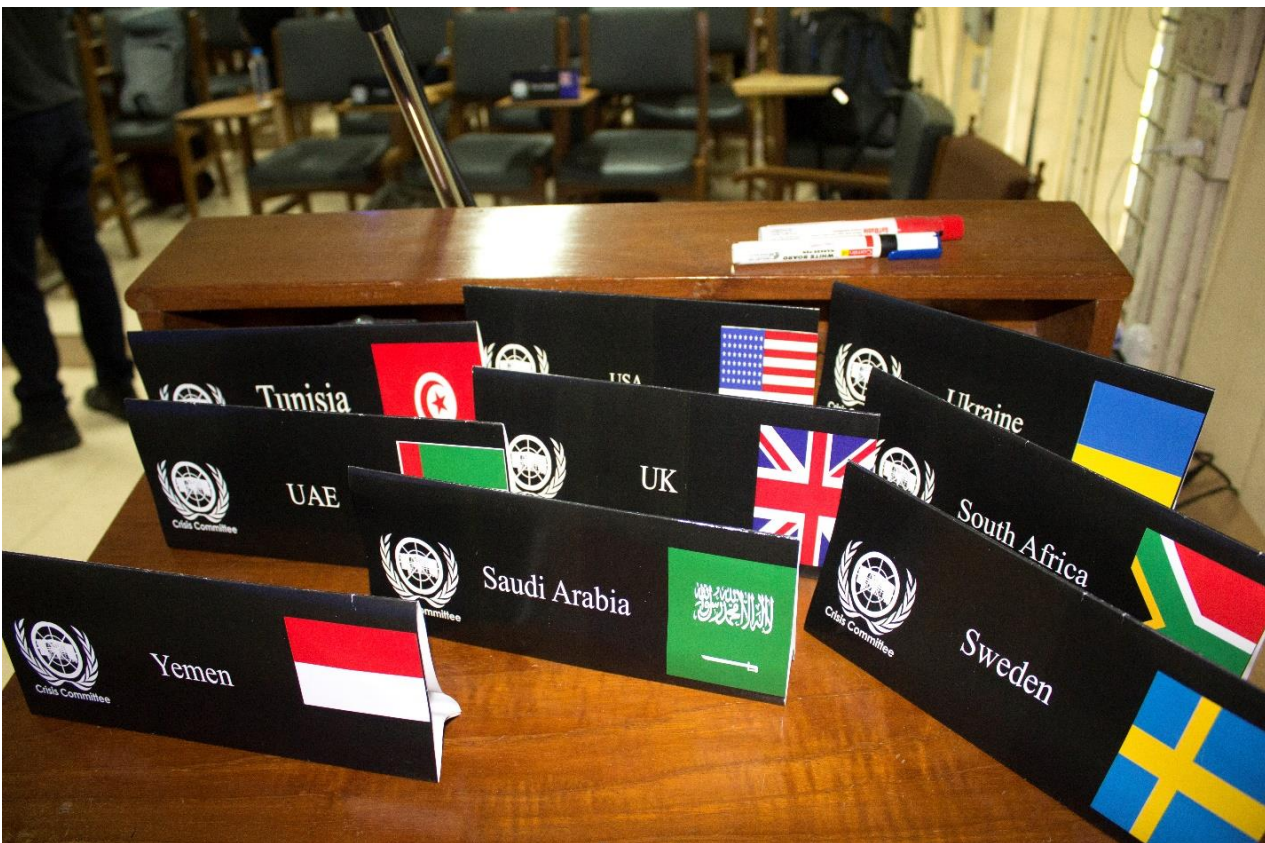
കളമശ്ശേരി▶ കൊച്ചി ശാസ്ത്ര സാങ്കേതിക സർവകലാശാല മെയിൻ കാമ്പസിൽ 20 മുതൽ 22 വരെ 'ഐക്യരാഷ്ട്രസഭാ മാതൃകാ സമ്മേളനം' നടക്കും. കൊച്ചി സർവകലാശാല യുവജനക്ഷേമ വകുപ്പ് മേധാവി ഡോ. പി.കെ. ബേബിയുടെ മാർഗ നിർദ്ദേശത്തിൽ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുടെ കൂട്ടായ്മയാണ് നേതൃത്വം നൽകുന്നത്. രാജ്യത്തിന്റെ വിവിധ ഭാഗങ്ങളിലെ സ്ത്രീ, കോളേജ്, സർവകലാശാല വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾ സമ്മേളനത്തിൽ ഒത്തുചേരും. ഐക്യരാഷ്ട്ര സംഘടനയുടെ വിവിധ സഭകളുടെ മാതൃകാ സമ്മേളനങ്ങളുണ്ടാവും. അന്താരാഷ്ട്ര ബന്ധങ്ങൾ, രാഷ്ട്രീയ സാഹചര്യങ്ങൾ, നയ തന്ത്രം, യു.എൻ. പ്രവർത്തന രീതികൾ എന്നീ വിഷയങ്ങളിലെല്ലാം പരിചയം നേടാൻ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്കു സാധിക്കും. സ്ത്രീ ഓഫ് ലിഗൽ സ്റ്റഡീസിലെ സഹൽ ടോം സെക്രട്ടറി ജനറലും ജോയൽ ജിമ്മി കൺവീനറും ജെറി പിറ്റർ ഡയറക്ടർ ജനറലുമായി സംഘാടക സമിതി രൂപവൽകരിച്ചു. 'മാതൃഭൂമി' മീഡിയ പാർട്ണറും 'ക്രബ്ബ് എഫ്.എം.' റേഡിയോ പാർട്ണറുമാണ്. കൂടുതൽ വിവരങ്ങൾക്ക്: 95622 71189. cusatmun@gmail.com

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കളമശ്ശേരി▶ കൊച്ചി ശാസ്ത്ര സാങ്കേതിക സർവകലാശാല യുവജനക്ഷേമ വകുപ്പ് സംഘടിപ്പിച്ച ഐക്യരാഷ്ട്ര സഭാ മാതൃകാ സമ്മേളനം സമാപിച്ചു. പത്ത് സംസ്ഥാനങ്ങളിൽ നിന്നായി 35-ഓളം കോളേജുകളിൽനിന്ന് 235 പ്രതിനിധികൾ സമ്മേളനത്തിൽ പങ്കെടുത്തു. വിവിധ കമ്മിറ്റികളിലായി ബെസ്റ്റ് ഡെലിഗേറ്റ് ആയി രാഹുൽ രാജേന്ദ്രനാഥ് (സ്കൂൾ ഓഫ് ലിഗൽ സ്റ്റഡീസ്, കൂസാറ്റ്), ബെസ്റ്റ് ട്രേണിംഗ് ആയി അർജുൻ വർമ്മ (ഗോബൽ പബ്ലിക് സ്കൂൾ എറണാകുളം), ബെസ്റ്റ് ഫോട്ടോഗ്രാഫി ട്രേണിംഗ് ആയി അശരണം (ബ്രിജിംഗ് (സ്കൂൾ ഓഫ് ലിഗൽ സ്റ്റഡീസ്, കൂസാറ്റ്)), ഹൈ കമന്റേഷൻ ആയി ഷിഹാ അബ്ദുൽസലാം (വി.ഐ.ടി., ചെന്നൈ), അറബിക് ക്ലബ്ബ് (വി.ഐ.ടി., ചെന്നൈ), പി.എ. ആയിഷ (ലോ കോളേജ് എറണാകുളം), അര ഫുലിസബത്ത് തോമസ് (സ്കൂൾ ഓഫ് ലിഗൽ സ്റ്റഡീസ്, കൂസാറ്റ്) എന്നിവരെ തിരഞ്ഞെടുത്തു. പ്രമുഖ പരാമർശം അർഹി ക്കുന്നവരായി യുജി ക്ലബ്ബ് രഞ്ജിത്ത് (ജെയിൻ യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റി), ആകാശ് അജയ കുമാർ (ന്യൂവാൽസ്), അരോക് നീലകണ്ഠൻ (സ്കൂൾ ഓഫ് ലിഗൽ സ്റ്റഡീസ്, കൂസാറ്റ്), ഡെവിക് മത്സരയി സജി (സ്കൂൾ ഓഫ് ലിഗൽ സ്റ്റഡീസ്, കൂസാറ്റ്), ആർ. ആശ ശയത്രി (ബെൻസ് വിദ്യാമന്ദിർ, എറൂർ), മാർട്ടിൻ റോയി (എസ്. ബി. കോളേജ്, ചങ്ങനാശ്ശേരി), എച്ച്. രോഹിത്ത് (സ്കൂൾ ഓഫ് ലിഗൽ സ്റ്റഡീസ്, കൂസാറ്റ്), കൃഷി

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Department of Youth Welfare
Cochin University of Science and Technology

My campus My planet

02 October 2019

In connection with the 150th Birth Centenary of mahatma Gandhi, Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology has organised a programme, My Campus, My Planet: Clean Campus Programme on 02nd October 2019. The programme aimed at,

- Tree caring and tree Planting,
- Cleaning campus
- Complete plastic removal in the campus
- Sale of cloth bags to promote the use of environment friendly consumption.
- Mass petition to online food delivery companies and big super markets regarding promotion of eco-friendly bags instead of plastic bags.

Bank of India, Changampuzha Nagar branch also associated with the programme. Around 65 students and staff on the bank gathered in front of the student's amenity centre by 09.30 am. Dr. K.N Madhusoodanan, Honourable Vice Chancellor and Mr. Mahesh Kumar V, Zonal Manager, Bank of India, Kerala Zone jointly inaugurated the programme by planting a tree. Ms. Sangamithra R, Student of first semester BBA LL. B also planted a tree on her birthday.





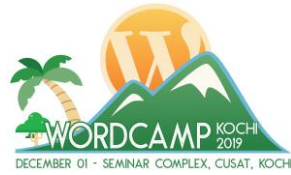
After the inauguration, the students were divided into different groups. Two groups initiated tree planting and campus cleaning. Four groups collected plastic wastes from different parts of the campus. One group distributed cloth bags to the passengers and alerted them about the danger of plastic. The

team advised them to use of reusable cloth bags as an alternative to single use plastic carry bags which adversely affect the human life health and natural environment. Plastic bags are not renewable and causes high risk to the health of the human beings, animals and planet. India's per capita consumption of plastic is 11 kilograms per year, and it generates a staggering 26,000 tonnes of plastic waste every day. There is no estimate on how much of that is recycled. A significant amount ends up in rivers, oceans and landfills.

The student team visited major shops and online food distributors in the city such as Lulu hypermarket, Uber Eats, Swiggy and Zomato and requested to avoid use of single use plastic carry bags. Responses from all these organisations are positive and highly motivating. Students also submitted a memorandum to the Vice Chancellor for better management of environmental problems in the campus. As an alternative, it is decided to initiate a cloth bag making Unit in the campus in association with various take holders such as, CUWWO, Kudumbasree, and University Union as part of the social responsibility of the University.



WORDCAMP KOCHI 2019



WORDPRESS

The third edition of WordCamp Kochi, an international conference revolving around the WordPress Open-Source software, held on 01st December, 2019 at the Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT). The event is jointly organized by a group of passionate WordPress users belonging to the WordPress Kochi Meetup Group, WordPress Community Support, PBC (The WordPress Foundation) and Department of Youth Welfare, University of Science and Technology. Dr. K.N Madhusudanan, Honorable Vice Chancellor of CUSAT inaugurated the event. Dr. P K Baby, Director, Department of Youth Welfare and Mr. Hari Sankar, Co-Ordinator spoke on the occasion.



WordPress is a free and open source web publishing platform that powers over 35% of all websites in the world, and is used by major companies like Facebook, Microsoft, New York Times, Time Magazine, Sony, among others. WordCamps are conferences on WordPress, organized by the community of WordPress users across the world, with support from the WordPress Foundation - the U.S. based non-profit that oversees the affairs of Open-Source WordPress, and its development. This was the third consecutive edition of WordCamp Kochi, after two successful editions in 2017, and 2018.

WordCamp Kochi 2019 had talks by reputed speakers and WordPress experts from India, and across the world. It was an event that covered topics on WordPress development, security, design, and more.



The event had around 500 attendees from across the world and was held in two tracks. The event had both talks and hands-on workshops aimed at both students/beginners as well as experts. The major talks at WordCamp Kochi 2019 are:

- ◆ Let Amazon Alexa talk about your WordPress Content, Abhishek Deshpande
- ◆ How better performing websites can help save the planet - Jack Lenox, Software Engineer, WordPress.com VIP - Automatic, Inc
- ◆ A workshop on Building WordPress Site in React With Frontity, Imran Sayed, Software Engineer, rtCamp
- ◆ A workshop on Building Blocks for Gutenberg, by Hardeep Asrani
- ◆ Local WordPress Development – What, Why and How, Menaka S, Software Engineer, Automatic, Inc (WooCommerce/WordPress.com)



കുസാറ്റിൽ വേഡ് പ്രസ് വെബ്സൈറ്റ് നിർമ്മാണ ക്യാമ്പ്



കുസാറ്റിൽ 'വേഡ് പ്രസ് വെബ്സൈറ്റ്' നിർമ്മാണ ക്യാമ്പ് വൈസ് ചാൻസലർ ഡോ. കെ.എൻ. മധുസൂദനൻ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്യുന്നു

കളമശ്ശേരി ▶ കൊച്ചി സർവകലാശാലയിൽ 'വേഡ് പ്രസ് സ്വതന്ത്ര സോഫ്റ്റ് വേർ വെബ്സൈറ്റ് നിർമ്മാണ പരിശീലനത്തിനായി 'വേഡ് ക്യാമ്പ്' നടത്തി. വൈസ് ചാൻസലർ ഡോ. കെ.എൻ. മധുസൂദനൻ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്തു. വേഡ് പ്രസ് ഫൗണ്ടേഷൻ, കുസാറ്റ് യുവജന ക്ഷേമ വിഭാഗം എന്നിവയുടെ സഹായത്തോടെ, വേഡ് പ്രസ് കൊച്ചി മീറ്റിംഗ് ഗ്രൂപ്പ് ആണ് ക്യാമ്പ് നടത്തിയത്. വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾ, സംരംഭകർ, ഐ.ടി. വിദഗ്ദ്ധർ, സ്വതന്ത്ര സോഫ്റ്റ് വേർ പ്രവർത്തകർ തുടങ്ങി വിവിധ മേഖലകളിലുള്ള 500-ഓളം പേർ ക്യാമ്പിൽ പങ്കെടുത്തു. കുസാറ്റ് യൂത്ത് വെൽഫെയർ ഡയറക്ടർ ഡോ. പി. കെ. ബേബി, വേഡ് ക്യാമ്പ് കോ-ഓർഗനൈസർ ആർ. ഹരിശങ്കർ തുടങ്ങിയവർ സംസാരിച്ചു.



കുസാറ്റിൽ വേഡ് പ്രസ് വെബ്സൈറ്റ് നിർമ്മാണ ക്യാമ്പ് ഡോ. കെ എൻ മധുസൂദനൻ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്യുന്നു

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കളമശ്ശേരി വിഭാഗം എന്നിവയുടെ സഹകരണത്തോടെ വേഡ് പ്രസ് കൊച്ചി മീറ്റിംഗ് ഗ്രൂപ്പാണ് ക്യാമ്പ് നടത്തിയത്. വിവിധ തുറകളിലുള്ള അഞ്ഞൂറോളം പേർ ക്യാമ്പിൽ പങ്കെടുത്തു. കുസാറ്റ് യൂത്ത് വെൽഫെയർ ഡയറക്ടർ ഡോ. പി കെ ബേബി, വേഡ് ക്യാമ്പ് കോ-ഓർഗനൈസർ ആർ ഹരിശങ്കർ തുടങ്ങിയവർ സംസാരിച്ചു.



കൊച്ചി ശാസ്ത്ര സാങ്കേതിക സർവകലാശാലയിൽ നടത്തിയ വേഡ് ക്യാമ്പ് രാജ്യാന്തര സമ്മേളനം വൈസ് ചാൻസലർ ഡോ. കെ.എൻ.മധുസൂദനൻ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്യുന്നു. ഹരിശങ്കർ, ഡോ.പി. കെ.ബേബി എന്നിവർ സമീപം.

വേഡ് ക്യാമ്പ് രാജ്യാന്തര സമ്മേളനം

കളമശ്ശേരി • വെബ്സൈറ്റുകൾ എങ്ങനെ നിർമ്മിക്കാമെന്ന് ചർച്ച ചെയ്ത വേഡ് ക്യാമ്പ് രാജ്യാന്തര സമ്മേളനം കൊച്ചി ശാസ്ത്ര സാങ്കേതിക സർവകലാശാലയിൽ നടത്തി. വൈസ് ചാൻസലർ ഡോ. കെ.എൻ.മധുസൂദനൻ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്തു. കുസാറ്റ് യുവജന ക്ഷേമ വകുപ്പ് ഡയറക്ടർ ഡോ.പി.കെ.ബേബി, വേഡ് ക്യാമ്പ് കൊച്ചി കോ-ഓർഗനൈസർ ഹരിശങ്കർ എന്നിവർ പ്രസംഗിച്ചു. സ്വതന്ത്ര സോഫ്റ്റ് വേർ അടിസ്ഥാനമാക്കിയുള്ള സമ്മേളനത്തിൽ 500 പേർ പങ്കെടുത്തു. വേഡ് പ്രസ് വികസനം, സുരക്ഷിതത്വം, രൂപകൽപന എന്നിവ സമ്മേളനം ചർച്ച ചെയ്തു.

Feedback

Parameter	Rating/5
Relevance and Usefulness of Sessions	4.5
Quality of question raised	4.0
Speaker rating	4.6
Hands-on Workshop	4.6
Food, Amenities and Infrastructure	4.7
Overall presentation	4.5
Overall rating of conference	4.5

South Zone Inter University Youth Festival at Alagappa University, Tamil Nadu.

The Cultural Team of Cochin University of Science and Technology bagged following prizes in the 35th South Zone Inter University Youth Festival organized by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) and Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India held at Alagappa University Karaikudi, Tamil Nadu during 18 - 22 December 2019. A team of 42 contingents under the leadership of Dr. P K Baby, Director, Students Welfare, Dr. N. Biju, Professor, School of Engineering and Smt. Aruna Kylas, Assistant Registrar, Audit Section.

- Third Position in Event Championship – Dance Events
- Third Position in Event Championship – Literary Events
- Second position in Classical Dance
- Second Position in Collage
- Third Position in Debate

They are selected participate at National Inter University Youth Festival at Amity University, New Delhi, from 03 – 07, February 2020.











back to Village

Education through Experience

The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes."

-Marcel Proust



Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology organized 'Back to Village: Experience through Education' at Vattavada during 28 – 30, December 2019. The main objective of the programme was to understand village life and learn values of self-reliance, work and togetherness in village commons. The other objectives were to visit village habitats and interact with people and learn lessons from them on resource use, means of livelihood, poverty, value system, language, social life and cultural life of socially and geographically marginalized groups using unstructured participant observation models / qualitative research methods. The camp were a mix of community visits, classes and trekking.

The Back to Village 2019 was an event of hope and vision to see through the village culture of Kerala. The journey to the village 'Vattavada' commenced on 28th of December 2019 with a group of 44 students and Dr. P K Baby, Director, Dept. of Youth Welfare, CUSAT, as their mentor. Sri. SRajendran MLA and Mr. Ramaraj, President of Vattavada Grama Panchayat interacted with students in the last day.



Vattavada is a village in Idukki district in the state of Kerala. It is a virtually rain shadow village lying in the eastern side of Western Ghats, near to Marayur and north side of Munnar, with an oozing cool temperature of 17°C. The team reached Vattavada on 28th December 2019. On 29th December 2019, the group visited the Muthuvans residing at the Saamiyar Kudi in Koviloor. Muthuvans are one of the 36 notified tribes of Kerala. At present, the Muthuvans are scattered across the forest areas of Idukki district.





Origin and Livelihood

Muthuvans were known from the period of Madhura Empire. Later, they shifted to the forests of Kerala. Their early livelihood was earned through slash and burn agriculture. Many legends surround the tribe of *Muthuvans* ('*Muthu*' means back, and '*van*' means one who carries weight on the back). *Muthuvans* were exceedingly primitive and even now those who live in the more remote parts greatly fear strangers. Most of the aged people in the community have never been in contact with any outsiders. This innate fear is very strong among the *Muthuvan* women who if met with suddenly, will dash off. They do not give much importance to education and prefer to earn through agriculture. They still believe in their conventional methods and practices, and do not like to accept the sudden changes.

Culture and Related Customs

They follow a style of Hindu Religion. They wear normal dress in these days like dhotis and shirts for male and saree for females. Both men and women wear ear stud. They speak language similar to Dravidian Tamil, but it does not have a script. This community follows a male dominated system. Both men and women work in the fields.

Muthuvans consider death as an integral part of life. Once a death occurs none of the *Muthuvan* from the *kudis* do not work for next 3 days. Sixteenth day of death is considered to be a ritual in their custom. People from all *kudi* get together and offer pray for the late soul. Nowadays most of the girls has moved to hostels in Ernakulam and Trivandrum for studying so they are fluent in Malayalam. The village head is called '*mooppa*' and has great control on everything in the village. He presides over the meeting of the council of elders.

Family System and Marriage

The *Muthuvans* follows a nuclear family pattern. *Muthuvans* live in hamlets called *kudi*. The *kudi* represents the Muthuvan society, each of which consists of 30 or more families. Three *kudis* are in Marayur. Each family consist of 8 or 9 members. Male members are the earning members of the family. They do not have any savings. Boys attaining puberty are rehabilitated outside in a common place. Every settlement has a boy's male dormitory called *saavady* and unmarried muthuvan male is called *illandari*. They are the most powerful group in the settlement. Boys above the age of 8 years live in *saavady* until their marriage. Any labour work of common interest to the village is executed by them. There is a dormitory for the girls referred to as *thinnai veedu* or *valaimapura* during their menstrual period for 4 days.

The food in the *vaalaimapura* are served by elder woman who attained menopause. Among the *Muthuvans*, menstruating period is impure and supposed to bring bad luck to their men folk. They marry only within their community. A custom prevailed earlier, according to which the bride is hidden, and the groom has to find her out to marry her. But nowadays they follow normal marriage practice. Male gets married at the age of 20-25 and females at an early age of 15-19. The community builds a home for the newly wed after their marriage. They live under traditional huts built with stones and mud. It has two rooms, one for sleeping and the other as a kitchen.



Agriculture

The *Muthuvans* community is known for their organic farming but now they follow inorganic farming. They use fertilisers. They cultivate carrot, potato, beans, garlic, ragi, orange, passion fruit etc. Shifting cultivation every two years is common. Vattavada is famous for garlic cultivation. There are mainly

two garlic growing seasons. The first crop season starts from May- June and the harvesting is done in September-October. The second crop is sown during November-December and ends by March- April. They preserve the seeds for next cultivation. Dogs are tamed by most families. Sometimes they build a hut near their cultivation and lives there. Dogs alert them when the wild animals enter the fields.



Food and Living

The *Muthuvans* firmly believe in their customs and traditions, especially in terms of their food and other chores. They usually do not practice cattle rearing, nor do they intake milk and its products. They preserve their specially cultivated garlic to save for the next cultivation season and to prepare medicines for pregnant women as a post pregnancy care.

Adults have diet of twice meals a day. Their main course of meal are Ragi and Rice. Tea and Paan are their main snacks. They grow vegetables like carrot, beans, cabbage, garlic, potatoes for themselves as well as to sell in the market. Fruits like guava, passion fruit, *marathakaya*-which is good for diabetes are also grown.

Health and Hygiene

Muthuvan do not generally go to any hospitals. They have traditional medicines which are very effective. But now they use the medicines provided by the health centre in *Koviloor*. Garlic paste or syrup is given to women after their pregnancy. They believe, it helps to reduce their health problems. Usually ladies will carry baby on her back, tying on sari. Now the situation got a few changes. In the case of problem in delivery, then the tribal promoters, health workers will help them to admit in hospitals. Each home was tidy and clean and the environment.

They build bathroom outside. The government has constructed many concrete houses for them. But they are reluctant to live in those houses. Building bathrooms near their homes were considered against their custom earlier. But it is now changed due to the intervention of the government. Pongal is their main festival and is an 8-day long festival. Nowadays they also celebrate Onam.

Education

Primary education is available to students from *Koviloor* which is approximately 3 km away. Children of the community is sent to tribal residential school in Ernakulum and Trivandrum. Most of the families are keen to send their children for schooling. There are students who hold post-graduation. But now also some families don't support girl's education. Boys are also not educated as much as girls. The government has made several schemes to educate the people especially the youth, but even after education, they like to continue traditional life in the settlement with their people.

Role of Women

The *Muthuvan* community follows male dominated culture. Women work in both fields and kitchen. Children less than 5 years of age are carried at the back of the mother during work. Women walk out to large distance to collect logs for the purpose of cooking.



Conclusion

Muthuvans are one of the 36 notified tribes of Kerala. They are found in Kerala villages mainly in Idukki District. They give very importance to their culture. The rituals and practices are unique when compared to other tribal groups of Kerala. They have their own system, like *kani*, *manthri*, *mooppan* that take care of the administration and functions of *kudy*. They avail things for their survival from the

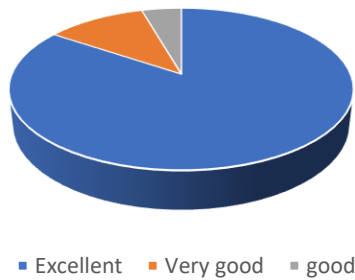
forest which include raw materials for the house construction, food and medicine. Therefore, they hardly have to go out to the mainstream society.

The Government is into raising the living standards of the Muthuvans, by providing them with solar power sources, constructing houses, providing medical facilities, subsidies of ` 30,000 per year, ration facilities via public distribution system, and many other development programs. Generally, they follow good personal and social hygiene, and keep their houses and premises neat and tidy.

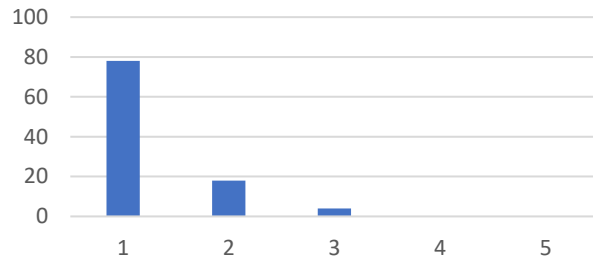


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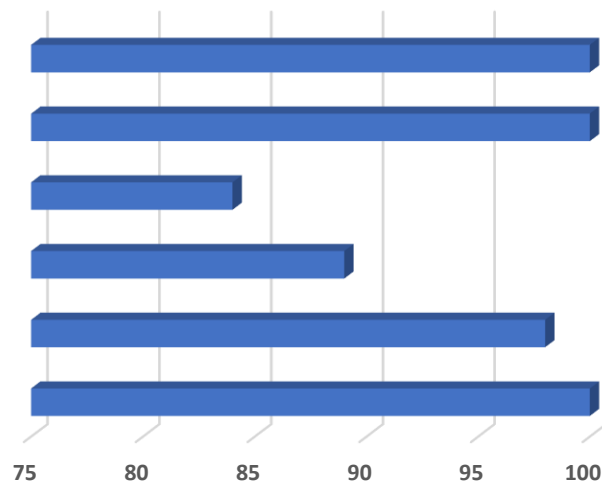
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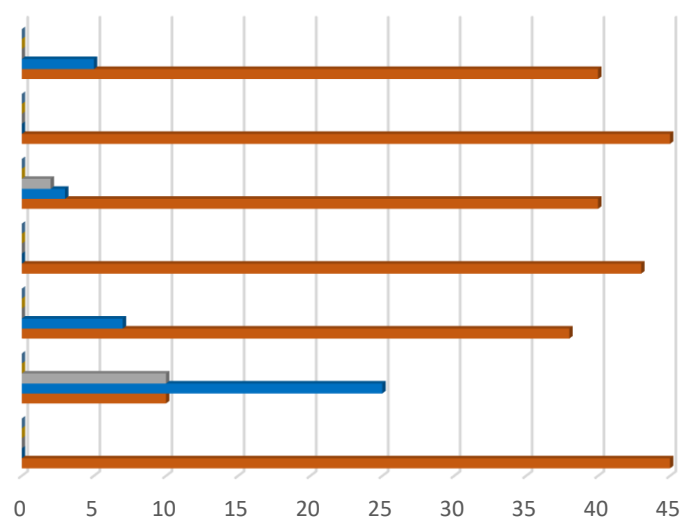
Level of Enjoyment

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Legend: Poor (blue), Satisfactory (yellow), Good (grey), Very Good (dark blue), Excellent (orange)





Neur♥science
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എതിരൻ കതിരവൻ
ഹിന്ദി ഓഡിറ്റോറിയം, കൊച്ചി സർവ്വകലാശാല

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DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH WELFARE

Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology has organized a popular science lecture in the topic, ‘neuroscience of love, by Dr. Ethiran Kathiravan as part of the popular science lecture series on 04.01.2020 at Department of Hindi Auditorium, Cochin University of Science and Technology. The objective of the series was to inculcate scientific temper among the students and public. The lecture provided opportunity for the students and public to discuss with the expert and to learn the logic of science.

The programme was officially inaugurated by Dr. K.N Madhusudanan, Vice Chancellor. Dr. Sarita G Bhat, head of the Department of Bio-Technology presided over the function. Dr. P.K Baby, Director, Department of Youth Welfare welcomed the gathering and Sri Padmakumar, Member, Senate, proposed vote of thanks.

Dr. Ethiran attained Ph. D. from J. N. U. New Delhi and continued post-doctoral research at St. Louis University, USA. Research on Genetics was undertaken at Johns Hopkins University and he continued as a researcher and faculty member at University of Chicago. Author of many research articles and patent holder for his discoveries. Writings include not only science themes but art, music, cinema and socio-political issues. An ardent writer in Malayalam weeklies and online media. Has published several books on popular science, film music, cinema, music and dance. Resides at Chicago, USA.









കൊച്ചി ശാസ്ത്ര സാങ്കേതിക സർവകലാശാലയിൽ 'പ്രണയത്തിന്റെ ഹോർമോണുകൾ' എന്ന വിഷയത്തിൽ എതിരൻ കതിരവൻ പ്രഭാഷണം നടത്തുന്നു.

തലച്ചോർ സ്കാനിങ്ങിലൂടെ പ്രണയം കണ്ടെത്താം: എതിരൻ കതിരവൻ

കളമശ്ശേരി • തലച്ചോറിന്റെ സ്കാനിങ്ങിലൂടെ ഒരാൾ പ്രണയിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോയെന്ന് കണ്ടെത്താമെന്ന് എതിരൻ കതിരവൻ. സോഷ്യൽ ന്യൂറോ സയൻസിൽ വരുന്ന വികാസങ്ങൾ സിലബസിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തിയില്ലെങ്കിൽ സോഷ്യോളജി, സൈക്യാ

ട്രി പഠനം കൊണ്ടു പ്രയോജനമില്ല. ന്യൂറോ സയൻസിന്റെ കൃത്യമായ ചാട്ടം ഈ രണ്ടു മേഖലകളേയും കാര്യമായി സ്വാധീനിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നും അദ്ദേഹം വ്യക്തമാക്കി. കൊച്ചി സർവകലാശാലയിലെ യുവജനക്ഷേമ വകുപ്പ് സഹലക്ഷിണ പോസ്റ്റലർ സയൻസ്

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'മാംസനിബദ്ധമാണ് രാഗം'

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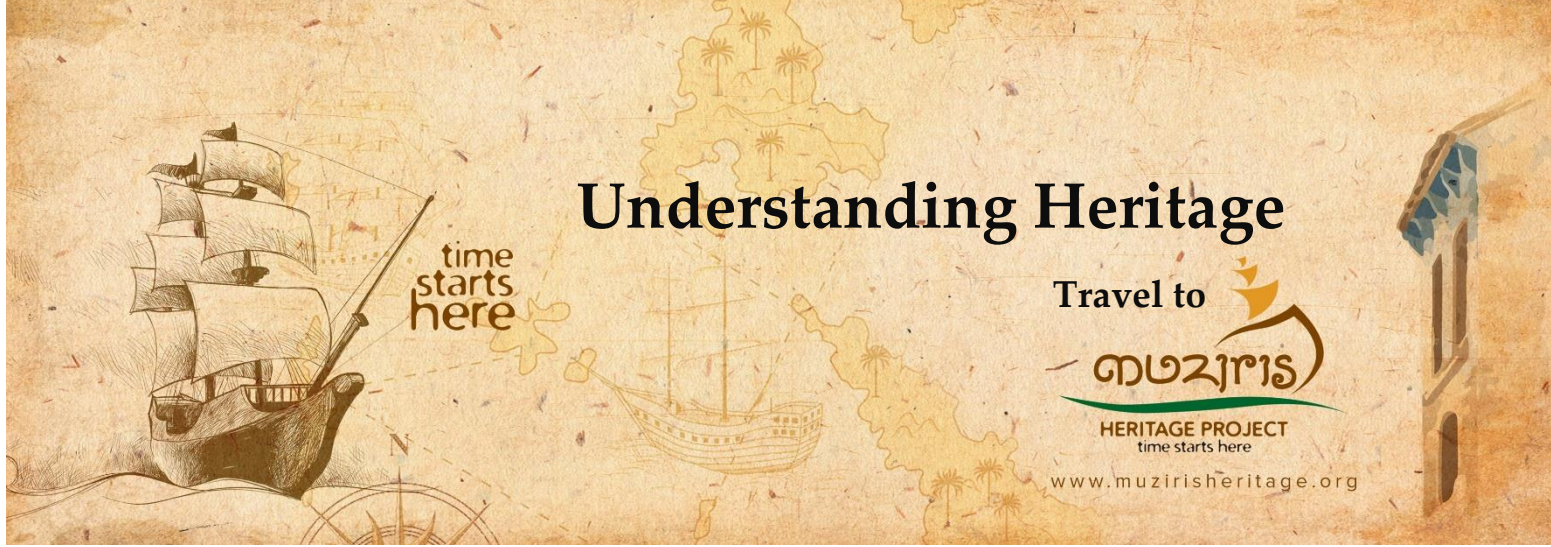
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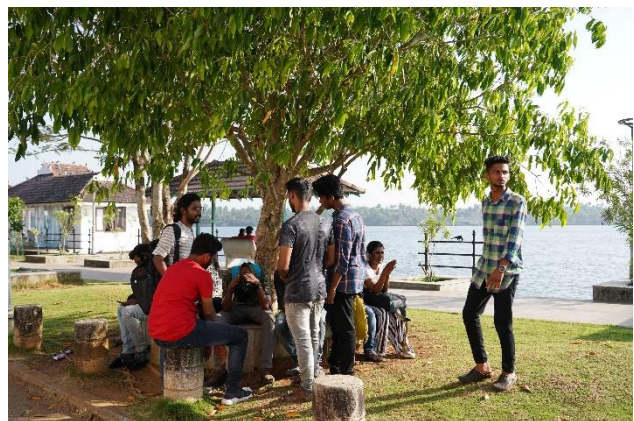
Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology has organised a Students heritage trip for selected 33 students in association with Muziris Heritage Project on 25.01.2020. Muziris is the most significant of names in the history of Kerala. Known to Romans and Greeks as Muziris, this port town is mentioned in Indian classics including the Sangham literature. The major communities that are part of the history of Muziris are Adicheras, Perumakkal, Swarupas and various colonizers. The objective of the trip were,

- To understand the cultural distinctiveness and diversity of Muziris
- To understand the importance of conservation of cultural assets for the present and future generations.



The team visited the following historical places in an air-conditioned boat with the help of a guide and historian and interacted with local people and excavation experts.

- Kerala Jews History Museum (Paravur Synagogue)
- Manjumatha Church
- Sahodaran Ayyappan Museum
- Kottayil Kovilakom
- Paliam Kovilakom (Kerala History Museum)
- Paliam Nalukettu (Kerala Lifestyle Museum)
- Gothuruth Church
- Kottappuram Fort, built by the Portuguese in 1523, but destroyed following a heavy fight.
- Kottappuram market



All India Children's Educational Audio/Video Festival (AICEAVF) and 4th ICT Mela

Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology co-organised All India Children's Educational Audio/Video Festival (AICEAVF) and 4th ICT mela, a joint venture of NCERT, Government of India and SIET, Government of Kerala at Cochin University campus during 21-25, February 2020. Three hundred and fifty participant from various states have participated in the festival. Sri. C Raveendranath, Honourable Minister for Education, Kerala inaugurated the festival. Sri. V.K Ibrahim Kunju, MLA, Sri. M Swaraj, MLA, Dr. K N Madhusoodanan, Vice Chancellor of the University, Dr. Amarendra Behra, Deputy Director, NCERT, Dr. Jeevan Babu IAS, Director General Education Kerala, Dr. Abhaykumar, Research Officer NCERT and Dr. Aburaj, Director, SIET spoke on the occasion.



Dr. K.C Sunny, Vice Chancellor, National University of Advanced Legal Studies was the chief guest in the valedictory session.

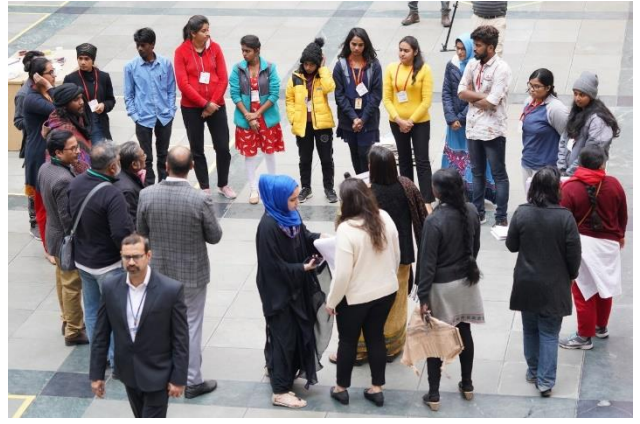


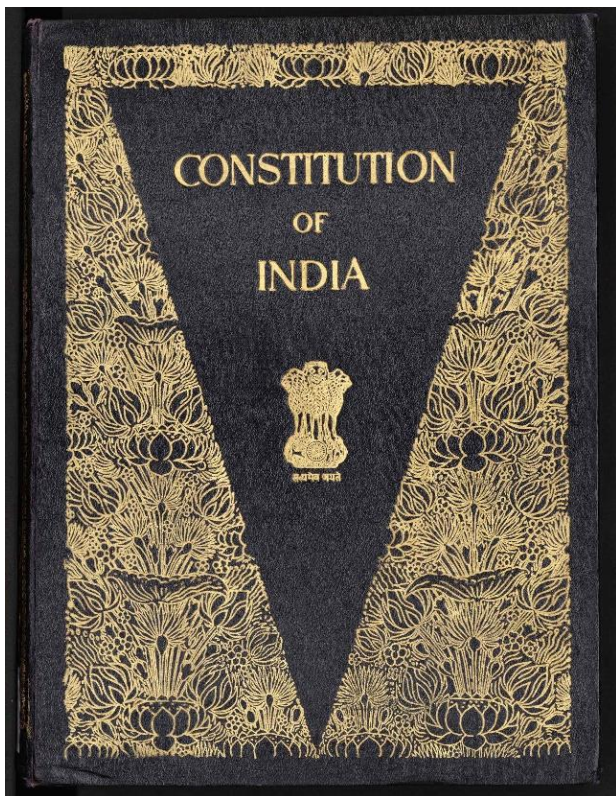
National University Youth Festival at Amity University, Utter Pradesh

The Cultural Team of Cochin University of Science and Technology participated in Classical Dance, Debate and Collage in the 35th National University Youth Festival organized by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) and Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India held at Amity University, Utter Pradesh, during 03 – 07, February 2020. A team of 11 contingents under the leadership of Dr. P K Baby, Director, Students Welfare and Dr. N. Biju, Professor, School of Engineering participated in the festival and bagged following prizes.

- Third position in Classical Dance
- Third Position in Collage







सत्यमेव जयते

Campaign on
Fundamental
Duties

organised as part of
Constitution Day
14 April 2020, Samrasta Diwas

Elocution Competition on Fundamental Duties

As part of the campaign launched with a focus on creating awareness regarding features of constitution of India, the Government of India had enlisted few activities which are to be undertaken by the higher education institutions in the country. Dr.Devendra Kumar Dhohawat IAS, Principal Secretary to the Governor, vide letter D.O No. GSI -3437/2019, dated 11.12.2019 requested the University to organise few activities in the campus with respect to spreading awareness on fundamental duties of Indian Constitution. As part of the same, Department of Youth Welfare organised an Elocution competition for the students of the colleges affiliated to the University on 4th January 2020.



The competition is organised as part of the 70th Anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of India to spread awareness about the fundamental duties and to sensitise the student community regarding the exalted values and enshrined in our Constitution. The campaign started on the 26th November 2019, the constitution day and culminate on 14th April 2020, Babasaheb Ambedkar's Birth anniversary which is celebrated as Samrasta Diwas.

The topic of the competition was 'Fundamental Duties: Rights and Duties are Correlative'. Dr. P K Santhoshkumar, Assistant Professor, School of Management Studies, Dr. Abesh Raghuvaran, Assistant Professor, Centre for Science in Society and Adv. Rajagopal were the judges.

Sri. B Parthan, Parasseri Puthanveedu, Eravipuram, Kollam secured first prize worth cash award of ₹ 5000 and certificate. Ms. Jishu Raichu Sajan, Charivukalayil Chaithanya, Kadapra P.O, Kumbanad secured second prize worth cash award of ₹ 3000 and certificate. Mr. Kuran Antony Mathew, Nadakkal House, SFS Seminary Road, Ettumaanoor and Nandakrishna M, Krishnasree, Thettevembalam P.O, Mavelikkara shared third prize worth cash award of ₹ 2000 and certificates.





ഉപന്യാസ മത്സരം

പരിസ്ഥിതി സൗഹൃദം, സുസ്ഥിര വികസനം
നവ കേരളം എന്റെ കാഴ്ചപ്പാടിൽ

The Higher Education Department of Kerala has instructed to the Higher Education Institutions in the state to conduct an essay competition on the topic 'Rebuild Kerala – Environment Friendly and sustainable Development of the State' among the students of the colleges affiliated to the University. As instructed, the Department of Youth welfare is organising an essay competition with respect to the same. Cash Prizes worth ₹ 5000, ₹ 3000, ₹ 2000 respectively were announced. The last date of submitting entries was on 01.01.2020. Prizes were distributed on 04.01.2020.



The competition was organised with an objective of promoting development of the state in the context of rebuild Kerala. The topic of the competition was ‘ചരിത്രം സാഹസികം, സുസ്ഥിര വികസനം, നവകേരളം എന്റെ കാഴ്ചപ്പാടിൽ’. Dr. P K Baby, Director, Department of Youth Welfare, Dr. Abesh Raghuvaran, Assistant Professor, Centre for Science in Society and Ms. Vinitha Murali were the evaluators.

Ms. Vidya K, Maniyannodi, Trikkarippur, Kasargod secured first prize worth cash award of ₹ 5000 and certificate. Ms. Pavithra Hariharan, Pavithram, Ollur, Thrissur secured second prize worth cash award of ₹ 3000 and certificate. Mr. Gokul C.M, Chempankulam, Ayyappankovil P.O, Idukki secured third prize worth cash award of ₹2000 and certificate.



Award Distribution Ceremony for National Winners

The cultural team from Cochin University of Science and Technology bagged the following prizes in the in the 33rd and 34th Inter University National Youth Festivals at Ranchi University, Ranchi, Jharkhand during 16 - 20 February 2018 and Chandigarh University, Chandigarh, Punjab during 01 – 05, February 2019, respectively. Dr. K Ajitha, Registrar distributed awards to the winners on 07.12.2019 at Hindi Department auditorium in the presence of Sri. Prajul K.V, Member, Syndicate and Dr. P K Baby, Director, Students Welfare.









Department of Youth Welfare
Cochin University of Science and Technology

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