

# M.E.S. COLLEGE NEDUMKANDAM

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### Principal's Desk



Prof. A.M. Rasheed

The socio -economic profile of the high ranges in Idukki has undergone a sea change on account of the meaningful contributions made by MES College Nedumkandam since 1982. The uncompromising stand on the quality of education we provide has taken our college into the zenith of fame. We are aware of the challenges ahead in preparing the youth in a highly competitive world of today. We are very much particular of taking up earnest efforts in providing practical training in order to fill the skill gaps by conducting relevant programmes on regular intervals. Bringing the institution to the people, we are keen in organizing socially committed programmes as part of the Community Extension Activities.

## **National Seminar in History**

The Department of History organized a National Seminar on A Historical Enquiry into the Nature Culture Relations in Idukki on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. P.J Cherian, renowned historian and former chairman of Kerala Council for Historical Research and presided over by the Principal Prof A.M Rasheed. Mr. Sebastian Joseph (Head, Department of History, UC College, Aluva) delivered keynote address. Seminar was enriched by valuable messages delivered by Sri. P. S Abdul Shukkur, Secretary & Correspondent M.E.S College and Sri. Abdul Rasak (IQAC Coordinator). Mr. Safeer V.M, Head of the department of history delivered the welcome speech and Mr. Shareef K (Assistant Professor of history) extended vote of thanks.





### **Baul Sangeet**



The Department of Languages in association with Mahatma Gandhi University Department of Students' Services conducted a Baul music concert by Bengali singers on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018. Bauls are a group of mystic minstrels from the Bengal region of South Asia. Bauls constitute both a religious sect and a musical tradition.

They are a very heterogeneous group, and can often be identified by their distinctive clothes and musical instruments. The programme paved the way for understanding a distinct culture and tradition through music. The programme was inaugurated by the Principal in charge Sri. Abdul Rasak. Representatives from MG University, Dr. Harikumar Changampuzha (DSS Director and Assistant Professor, School of Letters) and Dr. Aju K Narayanan (Assistant Professor, School of Letters) graced the event with their presence and have given a detailed description about the culture and tradition of Bauls.

#### **University First Rank**



Ms. Jyothi Raj (MG University First Rank in B.Sc. Physics Model II)



M.A. HISTORY
Anju Vijayan (4<sup>th</sup> Rank)
Daiby K. Abraham (7<sup>th</sup> Rank)
Jincy Maria (8<sup>th</sup> Rank)

#### **Small Scale Industrial Product Exhibition**

ED Club of the College has organized a small scale industrial product exhibition on 19th January 2018. The exhibition was inaugurated by the President of Pampadumpara Grama Panchayath Smt. Arifa Ayoob and presided over by Principal Prof. AM Rasheed. Sri Abdul Shukkur, the secretary and correspondent of the college delivered his message for the exhibition. The co-ordinator of the ED club, Smt. Rameena K.A welcomed the gathering. The members of Nedumkandam and Pampadumpara Grama Panchayath and Taluk Industry Officer, Sri. Raju Jose felicitated the gathering. Sri Biju Kurian (The Manager of DIC, Idukki) delivered the key note address. The Head of the Department of Commerce, Sri Muhammed Faisal V.A proposed the vote of thanks. Students of various schools and colleges and members of Kudumbasree visited the exhibition.



#### **Best ED Club Projects Award**

ED Club of MES College has bagged the Best ED Club Projects Award of 2018 for their enthusiastic activities. The award was offered by Sri. Joice George, Member of Parliament, Idukki. The club was appreciated for their extension activities enriched with various workshops given to the Kudumbasree members for the last five years and a small scale industrial exhibition conducted during this year



### Celluloid 2k17(Two Day Film Festival)

The media club of MES College has organized a two-day Film Festival entitled Celluloid 2k17 on 8th and 9th November 2017. The two day programme was initiated with a Flash mob by the Club members, followed by an Inaugural session presided over by the Principal and inaugurated by EJ Joseph, the president of Darsana Film Society, Kattappana. He is a film enthusiast and has delivered a profound key note speech that encapsulated the evolution of World Cinema to the present stature, and has referred many milestones from various film genres.



#### In Memoriam

The literary legend, Vaikom Muhammed Basheer occupies a prominent position in the Malayalam literary arena with his profound yet simple writing, satiric and sarcastic elements etc. He had interwoven a unique narrative style blended with humour that had created a special space for him. An academic year is incomplete without spending a day for the writings of our 'Beypoor Sulthan'. Hence, the Department of Languages organized a programme for commemorating Vaikom Muhammed Basheer on his death anniversary on 5th July 2017. The programme was inaugurated by the Principal who has given an endearing speech about the legend. Dr. T.K Jabir, (Department of Politics) delivered a key note speech by reading some excerpts from his works. Dr. D. Rejikumar (Head, Department of Malayalam) Dr. Renjith Madhavan (Head, Department of Hindi), and Sri. Shanavas C.T (Staff Secretary) addressed the gathering.



#### **Geet Bahar**

Music fills our heart with delight, especially when it is from a soothing and mellifluous voice. Many years (37) after his death, Mohammad Rafi is still considered by many to be the most prolific singer of all time because of his undisputed role in Bollywood from the 50s to the late 70s. In his four decade long career he was the most precious voice of the Indian film industry. 'Geet Bahar' was organized by the Department of Languages for commemorating the legendary singer, Muhammed Rafi by singing his hit songs in a concert on his 37th death anniversary held on 3th August 2017. The programme was inaugurated by the principal, Prof A.M Rasheed and graced with the presence of all teachers and students.



#### IT Fest (ASTHRA 2K18)

The Department of Computer Science organized a two day National level IT fest entitled ASTHRA2K18 for the college students on 16th and 17th January 2018. The programme was intended to develop different skills and creativity in youth. Asthra 2k18 was enriched with various events like Word Hunt, IT Quiz, Mock CID, Photography, Network Gaming, Coding and Debugging. More than 150 students from 25 colleges participated in this mega event. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Johnson (Principal, Pavanathma College, Murikkassery) and presided over by the Principal Prof. A.M Rasheed. K. Abdul Rasak (Head, Department of Computer Science) welcomed the gathering and Sri. Abdul Shukkur, Secretary & correspondent of the college conveyed felicitation. The winners were awarded with cash prizes and certificates which were distributed by the faculty from Hajee Karutha Rawther Hawdiya College, Uthamapalayam.



#### Lunar Eclipse Day

The Department of Physics, in association with the Astronomy Club has organized a sky watching programme on the special Lunar Eclipse Day, 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018. The programme started at 6.30 PM with an introduction session led by Dr. Nishad K K and Mr. Mahesh Kumar M (Faculty, Department of Physics). Through this programme, the students and people from the neighbouring places got an opportunity to watch closer the spectacular Blue Blood Super Moon phenomena.



Super moon eclipse photographed through the telescope

#### **Extension Programmes**

1. Department of Physics conducted an awareness programme entitled 'REIGNITE' for the high school students at Govt VHS, Nedumkandam on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018. The programme helped the students to realize the necessity of having a goal in their life and how to reach there in a smart way. Dr. Nishad K.K (Assistant Professor, MES College, Nedumkandam) engaged the session.



 Helping Hand-Students from the Department of Economics made a visit to Akashaparava, a charitable institution at Nedumkandam, and provided food kits and financial aid for the inmates.



 The Department of English conducted a Communicative Skill Development Programme- INTERACTIVE ENGLISH as part of the extension programme, ASPIRATIO, for the primary students at Govt. LPS, Pampadumpara on 22 January 2017.



- 4. The Department of Mathematics organized Mathematics Teachers Training Programme for the school teachers in order to equip them with the latest developments in Mathematics on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Dr. Sunny Kuriakose (Dean, FISAT, Angamaly) and Dr. Sasi Gopalan (Cochin University) were the resource persons.
- 5. The Department of Computer Science arranged awareness programme on "Cyber Crimes and Cyber Security" for the students of nearby schools on 24th November 2017. The classes were handled by the Students of BCA.



at Govt. VHSS, Nedumkandam

at Holy Cross Convent School Nedumkandam

6. In collaboration with the Indian Institute of Spices Research, the Department of Statistics headed by Mr. Mohammed Rahmathulla guided a project of excess usage of Lambda Cyhalothrine in cardamom plantation at 15<sup>th</sup> ward of Pampadumpara Grama panchayath along with senior P.G students and prepared a research communication.



7. As part of the Reading Day Celebration, the Department of Languages conducted Akshara Deepthi - a programme to illuminate the world of knowledge through books. This involved distribution of a collection of books to two schools nearby in order to enhance the reading habit among small children.



#### **Orientation/ Motivation Programmes**

 The Department of Physics organized a career orientation and mentoring programme for the final year B.Sc Physics students on 15-02-2018 by Sri Eldo Paulos, Disha Mentors, Kochi.



- The Health Club of the college organized an awareness class and counseling for the students against the use of drugs and alcohol on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017.
- 3. Department of Economics conducted a Motivation and Career guidance class for B.A Economics students on 14/02/2018. Mr. Eldo Paulos, Director, Disha Mentors, Ernakulam (Career Developing Centre) handled the classes.
- 4. An awareness programme on "Anti-Drugs" was conducted by the College Health Club in association with the Kerala Excise Department on 19-10-2017. The key note speech was delivered by Dr. Sambhu, Junior Superintendent, Taluk Hospital, Nedumkandam.

#### **Academic Seminars**

1. The Department of English organized a distinguished lecture on "Reading the Socio-Cultural Spaces within Cinema: A Study of Recent Malayalam Films" on 25 January 2018. Dr. Gijy J. Alex (Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities, IIST, Thiruvananthapuram.) delivered the talk in a very interactive manner. She critically analyzed the socio-cultural spaces within cinema, by discussing the expectations regarding a socio-cultural text and what are the constituents of such a text.



2. As part of the Economics Association Inauguration, the Department of Economics organized a one day Seminar on "Research Methodology in Economics" on 10/1/2018. Dr. Joby Jose, Head, Department of Economics, Govt. College, Kattappana was the resource Person.



3. An academic seminar was conducted by the Department of Chemistry titled Hydrogen-the Fuel of Future by Dr. Renju Zachariah (Visiting Professor, Qatar University).

#### **Invited Talks**

- A Talk on NET Platform by Cognizant Technologies Ernakulam was arranged by the Department of Computer Science on 06 July 2017.
- For a better comprehension of the concept of GST, the department of Economics organized a talk on 03 August 2017. Mr. Arunkumar, Assistant Professor, Govt College, Kattappana was the Resource Person.



- 3. A talk on the Impact of Demonetization was organized by the Department of Economics on 03 August 2017 by Mr. Vishnusadasivam (Assistant Professor, Govt. College, Kattappana)
- 4. The Department of Mathematics and the Department of Computer Science jointly organized a workshop on Latex on 09 October 2017.
- 5. The Department of Computer Science organized a talk on "Network Security" on 07 November 2017. The Keynote Speech was delivered by Sri. Ansar, Assistant Professor, Hajee Karutharawther Howdia College Uthamapalayam.
- 6. The Department of Physics organized a talk on "Marine Bio Energy; Potentials and Applications" on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018. The resource person was Dr. Valsamma Joseph, Associate Professor and Director, National Centre for Aquatic Animal Health, Cochin University of Science and Technology.



#### **Achievements**

1. Firzana Firoz(BCA) – Bagged Silver medal in MG University Wrestling championship.



- 2. Ashkar Siddiqe(Economics)- Bronze medal in MG University Judo championship.
- 3. Mobin Philip(History)- Bronze medal in state Wrestling championship(senior category).
- 4. Vishnu Murali(History)- Bronze medal in state Wrestling championship(junior category).

#### **Achievements (Team)**

- 1. Kho-Kho Idukki district championship.
- 2. Wrestling Idukki district overall championship (Senior)

- 3. Wrestling Idukki district overall championship(Junior).
- 4. Cricket Mahatma Gandhi University south zone runner up



#### Women's Forum

 The activities of the Women's Forum for the academic year 2017-18 were inaugurated on 2 August 2017 by Smt. Sirsha Shajahan, Judicial First Class Magistrate of Nedumkandam.



- 1. Observed the International Day of the Girl Child on 11 October 2017 by conducting various competitions on the topic "The Power of the Adolescent Girl: Vision for 2030".
- As part of the 'Campus Doctor' initiative of the Women's Forum, Dr. Rinu Anas, Gynaecologist of Taluk Hospital, Nedumkandam, delivered a lecture on "Health Issues in Adolescent Girls" and led an interactive session with the students.
- 3. On 18 December 2017, the Women's Forum conducted a Rubella Vaccination drive in the college in association with the Pampadumpara Primary Health Centre in which 141 girls



4. Ruchimela'-On 23 February 2018, the Women's Forum conducted a Food Fest named 'Ruchimela' in association with the college Union offering a wide array of traditional and modern dishes prepared by the students. The students were able to collect a fare amount from the Sales of the event, a part of the proceeds being donated to the Palliative Care Unit of our College.



6. **International Women's Day:** Women's Forum celebrated International Women's Day on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in a grand manner. A special programme was organized in which the Women's Forum members actively participated in various competitions.



7. Conducted an interdepartmental Mehandi designing competition.



8. On 28th November 2017, the Women's Forum organized a one day workshop on "Domestic Violence and Dowry Harassment" in collaboration with the Department of Social Justice and the Women's Protection Office, Idukki. Smt. Tessy Abraham, Women Protection Officer, Idukki, Smt. Mini Tomi Kariyilakulam, President, Pampadumpara Grama Panchayath, Smt. Sirsha Shajahan, Judicial First Class Magistrate spoke at the event on the problems faced by women and the legal recourses available to them.



9. PENMA- Women's Forum released its magazine *Penma* on the occasion of the college day with articles, stories and poems by members of the girl students. it aims to provide a platform for the creative self expression of the girl students as well as showcase their talents and stir up an engagement with critical issues related to women's rights and the challenges and opportunities that women encounter in the 21st century



#### NSS

- World Environment Day NSS unit observed World Environment Day on 5th June 2017 by planting tree saplings in the premises of college campus. The programme was inaugurated by Smt. Mini Tomy Kariyilakkulam, President, Pampadumpara Grama Panchayath. She delivered a speech about the importance of conservation of nature in the globalised world.
- International Yoga Day As part of the international Yoga Day, NSS Unit organized a yoga training class for the teachers and students. The event was inaugurated by the Principal, Prof AM Rasheed and the class was conducted by Mr. Sreenu Parameswaran, International Yoga Trainer.



 Green Nedumkandam Project- Students involved in cleaning activities of Nedum kandam town and its premises.



- 4. Health Awareness Class The unit organized a Health Awareness Class on 10 August 2017. The class was conducted by Sri. G Venugopalan, officer of Primary Health Centre, Pampadumpara and Sri. Udayakumar, State Literacy Mission.
- 5. Survey on Waste Disposal a survey on waste disposal was conducted on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2017 by visiting 400 houses located in Pampadumpara Panchayath.
- 6. Independence Day The unit observed Independence Day by participating in the Rally and cleaning works conducted by Nedumkandam Grama Panchayath.
- 7. **Organic Farming** The unit engaged in paddy cultivation at Valiyakandam, Kattappana.



8. **Financial Support Scheme** – The unit donated Rs. 10000 to a Kidney trouble patient, Satheesh Balachandran on 25th August 2017.



 Seven Day Camp (Jaivam 2017) - As part of the Jaivam 2017 project, an annual seven day camp of NSS was organized at Muslim Girls Higher Secondary School Nadakkal, Erattupetta from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> September 2017.



- Gandhi Jayanthi The NSS unit observed Gandhi Jayanthi Day on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 by involved in cleaning activities at Nedumkandam.
- 11. **Eye Care Camp** The unit organized a free eye care camp for public at Community Hall, Nedumkandam.



- 10. **Gandhi Jayanthi** The NSS unit observed Gandhi Jayanthi Day on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 by involved in cleaning activities at Nedumkandam.
- 11. **Eye Care Camp** The unit organized a free eye care camp for public at Community Hall, Nedumkandam.

#### NCC

 World Environment Day-NCC unit observed World Environment Day on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017 by planting 60 saplings in the college premises. The programme was inaugurated by the Principal in charge Prof. Abdul Rasak.



2. **International Yoga Day-** the cadets participated in the Yoga training on 21 July 2017.



3. **Anti-Drugs Day-** An awareness class on Drug Usage and its Harmful Effects was organized by the unit and made the students to take a pledge against drug use.

The classes were handled by the cadets.



- 4. As part of the Swach Bharath, the cadets participated in Roadside Cleaning Campaign on 22 July 2017 by cleaning Nedumkandam town. The event was inaugurated by Sri. Njanasundaram, President, Nedumkandam Grama Panchayath.
- 5. Mosquetrap- An awareness class on Monsoon Diseases was conducted on 27 July 2017 by Dr. Biju Vargheese (P.H.C, Pampadumpara).
- 6. Independence Day- College Principal, Prof. A.M Rasheed hoisted the National Flag and delivered Independence Day message to the students.



7. The cadets cleaned the statue of Mahatma Gandhi at Nedumkandam as part of Swach Bharath mission on 20 September 2017.



8. Bike Rally- In association with the Excise Range Office, Udumbanchola, the Cadets participated in a Bike Rally conveying the message on Anti- Drugs on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017.



- 9. Donation to the ill-health.
- 10. Blood Donation- The cadets involved in blood donation as part of social service on 21 November 2017 at Karuna Hospital, Nedumkandam.
- 11. NCC Day Celebration- the unit celebrated NCC Day on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2017 with a wide range of programmes like Treasure Hunt, Debate Competition etc.
- 12. Cyberdom Handbook- a handbook containing the details of the mobile application of Kerala Police was released on 23 January 2018 by Sri. Abhilash M.D, Sub-Inspector, Nedumkandam Police Station.
- Celebrated Nation's 69<sup>th</sup> Republic Day College principal Prof. A.M Rasheed hoisted the National Flag.
- 14. Reception to the newly commissioned ANO Lt. Rishal Rasheed on 27 February 2018.



15. Trekking at Thevaramettu on 4 March 2018.

#### **Club Activities**

#### **Entrepreneurial Development Club**

ED Club activities for the academic year 2017-18 on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017 was inaugurated by Mr. Renjith Babu, Assistant Industrial Officer DIC Idukki., and handed over the Certificate of Registration to Prof. V.P Rahmathulla, the Principal in charge. It is followed by a motivational talk by Mr. Rajan Sethy, Executive Director of MAS Enterprises Ltd, Vandanmedu.



ED Club organized a motivation class for the members to inculcate various entrepreneurial traits among them. The class was taken by the famous jackfruit businessman Sri. Shahjahan A.Y.



#### **Entrepreneurial Workshop**

The members of the ED Club participated in one day entrepreneurial workshop conducted by the Department of Industries and Commerce at Pavanatma College, Murickassery. It was aimed to motivate the students to become successful entrepreneurs. The workshop was inaugurated by the honourable M.P Sri. Joice George. The session was coordinated by the famous radio jockey Sri. Joseph K Jose.



# Entrepreneurial Workshop for Kudumbasree Members

ED Club of MES College organized an entrepreneurial workshop for the Kudumbasree members of Nedumkandam and Pampadumpara Panchayath in February 2018. More than 100 members participated in the workshop.



**Seminar on GST** - ED Club of our college organized a one day seminar on Goods and service tax in the month of July 2017. The speaker of the seminar was Sri. Alex Joseph, former student of M.E.S College, Nedumkandam.



#### **English Club**

The activities of the English Club-LITERATI during the academic year 2017-18 were inaugurated on 20 October 2017 by Mr. Tojy Dominic, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Govt. College, Kattappana.



#### **Onam Celebration**



#### Students' Union

1. The College Union was inaugurated by Television-Cine artist Kollam Sudhi on 27 September 2017.



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