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Prof. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, and Dr. M. Jothi Basu, Controller of Examinations,
Alagappa University at the 36th Convocation Ceremony of the University

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From the Vice-Chancellor

Dear Readers,

I rejoice to meet you all through this Azhagu Newsletter. This edition of the Newsletter features the events and incidents of academic, research, intellectual and social importance that unfolded at the University from April 2025 to September 2025. In the landscape of higher education, Alagappa University makes a mark through its robust and vibrant functioning. A wide range of academic activities were organized by the University Departments during this spell. Due to space constraint, this issue is unable to cover all the events. However, the e-version of the Newsletter carries a complete reportage of all the events that happened at University Departments during this period. The 36th Convocation of Alagappa University was conducted on 18th August, 2025 and a total of 43,163 students were awarded degrees by the Hon'ble Governor Thiru. R.N. Ravi. Dr. V. Narayanan, Chairman, ISRO and Secretary to Department of Space, Government of India, was the Chief Guest.

Our great founder, Vallal Alagappan's 116th Birth Anniversary was celebrated in a very resplendent manner. I led the procession of University faculty, administrative staff and students to the memorial of our revered founder and paid our respects. The University organized two major events during this phase; one on Environmental Protection and the other on Religious Harmony. For the conservation of Ecology, I took earnest steps to plant as many as ten-thousand tree saplings in an area of 15 acres behind the PG block on 18th July, 2025. Further, the University celebrated International Yoga Day on 21st June, 2025 with a mass Yoga performance by faculty and students. The 4th Tamil Nadu State Para Athletics Championship for Youth and Sub-junior categories was jointly organized by the Tamil Nadu Paralympic Sports Association and the College of Physical Education on 11th and 12th August, 2025. Besides, Alagappa University conducted in a grand manner the 79th Independence Day and in my Independence Day address, I recalled the selfless services of the freedom fighters. In recognition of teachers' contribution to the Institution and to the society, the University celebrated the Teachers' Day in all grandeur. Awards and Certificates were presented to the teachers who excelled in Teaching and Research.

I hope you will find these news items informative and interesting.

Prof. G. RAVI
Vice-Chancellor

36TH CONVOCATION MARKS A MILESTONE IN ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY'S JOURNEY OF “EXCELLENCE IN ACTION”



The 36th Convocation of Alagappa University was held on 18th August 2025 at the University Convocation Hall. Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu and Chancellor of Alagappa University Thiru. R.N. Ravi presided over the function and gave away the degrees to the new graduates.

Delivering the 36th Convocation Address, Dr. V.Narayanan, Chairman, Indian Space Research Organization and Secretary to the Department of Space, Government of India, praised Alagappa University for its commitment to excellence, inclusivity and societal relevance. He exhorted the new graduates to remember that, “Degrees are not just certificates. They are responsibilities. You now carry the legacy of this University and live with purpose, to lead with integrity and to serve humanity without discrimination”. Parents, teachers, fellow citizens and tax payers have helped you get education; and it is your responsibility to serve the society in turn. There is no substitute for sustained hard work; hard work will give you strength and inner happiness.

He added that his own experience has made him realise the significance and altruism of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's statement that, “total commitment is pivotal quality for those who want to reach the very top of their profession.”

Referring to the phenomenal success that India has made in various domains since independence, he recalled the impact of movements like Green Revolution, White Revolution, Grey Revolution and Blue Revolution; and Dr. Narayanan added that how they have immensely contributed to make India the fourth largest economy in the world. Further, he stated that the literacy level has increased from 12% to 79.7 percent in the last 78 years. 8.40 Lakhs schools, 742 Medical Colleges and 4351 Engineering Colleges roll out trained men and women to serve the nation. Total power generating capacity and per capita electricity consumption, show the progress India has made. The largest railway system, the expanded network of roads and water ways with the addition of metro trains in major cities have paved the way for easy

commutation from one part of the country to another. The unique programmes like “Make in India” have revolutionized the engineering sector in the country. Hence, it is imperative that there are plenty of opportunities for youth to contribute for making India a prosperous country when we celebrate Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav - 100 years of Independence-in 2047.

Tracing the impressive growth of Indian Space Programme, he said the first rocket was launched from the Indian soil on 21st November 1963. Since then India has launched 4000 sounding rockets from our country. So far “we have developed 6 generations of Launch Vehicles such as SLV3, ASLV, PSLV, GSLV, LVM3 and SSLV and launched 102 Launch Vehicle Missions. A total of 133 satellites are serving us in various applications. The designed life of satellites has increased from 7 to 15 years. Chandrayaan -3 Mission was a 100 percent success and made India the first country in the world to soft land near the South Pole of the Moon. India achieved the world record of placing 104 satellites in a single launch. He proudly said, “we are all in a very high mood right now as our Astronaut, Shubanshu Shukla has just become the first Indian to reach International Space Station and land back on the earth safely. I had the great privilege of associating with this Axiom Mission in a big way. All of us had a busy time in June in US at the Kennedy Space Centre and we were happy to contribute in our own way in ensuring the safe launch of Shukla and 3 other astronauts to ISS”. He added that India has become the 4th country to successfully achieve Docking and Undocking in Space with the success of SPADEX Mission. Human Space Mission Gaganyaan is in an advanced development stage and it will take Indians to Space and return them safely using our own launcher for the first time. He concluded his speech by asking the students to contribute for the peaceful and happy life of the world community.

Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, delivered the welcome address and recounted the significant events, achievements, activities and programmes of the University that happened during the last one year.

In this Convocation a total number of 43,163 candidates were conferred with degrees, of which 314 candidates obtained their degrees in

person. This 314 included, 1 – D.Sc, 133 - Ph.Ds and 180 Rank Holders and Medal Winners.

Besides, 2,035 regular students from the University Departments, 12,114 from the Affiliated Colleges, 23,158 from the Distance Education Programmes, 553 from the Online Programmes and 5,169 from the Collaborative Programmes received their degrees in absentia.

Tmt.K.Porkodi, IAS, Collector, Sivagangai District, Thiru.Sivaprasad, IPS, Superintendent of Police, Sivagangai District, Thiru. S. Prasanna Ramasamy, Deputy Secretary to Governor (Universities), Police Officials and Revenue Department officials, Prof.S.Subbiah, Prof.R.Thirumalaisamy, Former Vice-Chancellors, Thiru.H.Raja, Bharathiya Janatha Party, Syndicate Members Prof.V.Palanisamy, Prof. C. Sekar, Prof. S. Rajaram and Prof.J.Jeyakanthan, Senate Members, Dr.R.Swaminathan, Former Syndicate Member, Dr. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, Dr. M. Jothi Basu, Controller of Examinations, Prof.C.Vethirajan, Finance Officer (i/c), Deans, Heads of the Departments, Teaching and Administrative Staff, Thiru.Samy Thiravidamani, President, Chamber of Commerce, Karaikudi, were among those who were present on the occasion.



Earlier, Tmt.K.Porkodi, I.A.S., District Collector of Sivagangai, Prof.G.Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University and Mr.Ayush Venkat Vaths, I.A.S. Sub Collector, Devakottai welcomed the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu Thiru. R.N. Ravi at the University Guest House with bouquets.

The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu Thiru.R.N.Ravi visited Alagappa Model Higher Secondary School and interacted with the students.

Celebrating Freedom

79TH INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATED WITH PATRIOTIC FERVOUR



The Grand 79th Independence Day Festival at Alagappa University, Kariakudi, began with the hoisting of the Tri-colour National Flag by Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi. He accepted the Guard of Honour presented by the NCC Cadets and Students of the University.

In his Independence Day Address, he recalled the bravery and selfless service of the freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for the country's freedom. He emphasized that it is our duty to fulfill their dreams of a glorious India. The Vice-Chancellor said that “India is poised to make significant progress in every sector in the coming years and that there are numerous opportunities for the youth in every field”. He urged the students to identify these opportunities and utilize them for their personal growth and the country's development. He emphasized the importance of acquiring various skills by the youth. “Skilling the youth has become the priority of the State and Central governments. Skill combined with sustained hard work alone can bring you success contributing to your personal growth and nation's progress. Every youth should ever be conscious of this fact and strive to achieve greater things in life” he added.

During the event, the Vice-Chancellor honoured administrative staff member Mr. A.L. Natarajan who has completed 25 years of unblemished service and those administrative staff who have obtained Ph.D. degrees -- Dr. M. Alaguraja, Dr. M. Sangeetha Vidhya and Dr. I. Xavier Jayakumar.

The Faculty Members of the College of Physical Education made arrangements for the event, which was coordinated by Lieutenant Dr.C.Vairavasundaram, NCC Officer of the University.

116th BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF VALLAL ALAGAPPAR COMMEMORATED WITH GRANDEUR



The 116th birth anniversary of Vallal Dr. Alagappan, the illustrious Founder of Alagappa University, was celebrated in all grandeur on 6th April 2025 at the University. The celebration began at 6:30 a.m., with a procession that started from the Bhav Nagar Stadium and concluded at the Vallal Alagappan Memorial Temple. The event, led by Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi, was attended by University Officials, Syndicate Members, Faculty Members, Administrative Staff, Students, and Prominent Personalities from Karaikudi Town, who paid floral tributes at the memorial temple.

Following this, a Commemorative Function was held at the L.C.T.L. Palaniappa Chettiar Memorial Auditorium. Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi, who presided over the event, said Vallal Alagappan gave away all his wealth for the cause of education. The Vice-Chancellor remarked that the fame of Vallal Alagappan will remain eternal and said that owing to the blessings of Vallal Alagappan, along with the contributions of faculty, staff, and students, the University continues to excel in teaching, research and extension activities earning the encomium of scholars across the nation.

Dr. Vairavan Ramanathan, Life Syndicate Member of the University and grandson of Vallal Alagappan, participated in the event. In his address, he mentioned that Vallal Alagappan, despite suffering from over ten illnesses, never prioritized

his health and continued tirelessly establishing educational institutions. Dr. R. Madhu from Tiruchirappalli delivered the Founder's Day Oration. He stated that Vallal Alagappan was an “iron man” who overcame all difficulties to achieve greatness. He emphasized that physical beauty is not essential — it is inner beauty that matters, and Vallal Alagappan embodied this. He was a great soul who believed that helping others is the true purpose of human life. His generosity elevated not only himself but also those who received his help. Dr. Madhu recalled that Vallal Alagappan never hesitated to give, as he firmly believed he could both give and earn again. He remembered how scholars like Kunrakudi Adigalar, Kavignar Mudiyaaran, and Kamban Adippodi Sa. Ganesan had praised Vallal Alagappan's philanthropy. He concluded by stating that the success of a person is measured by how much help they render to others — a principle Vallal Alagappan lived by.

Prof. S. Rajaram (representing faculty), Mr. J. Karunanidhi (representing administrative officers), and Mr. Naveen from the Department of Commerce (representing students) delivered speeches about Vallal Alagappan.

The event began with Registrar Prof. A. Senthilrajan welcoming the gathering. Controller of Examinations Dr. M. Jothi Basu delivered the vote of thanks. Prof. S. Senthamizh Paavai compered the programme.

UNIVERSITY HOSTS TWIN EVENTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RELIGIOUS HARMONY



Under the Aegis of the Centre for Youth Welfare and Empowerment, Alagappa University,

Karaikudi, ten thousand tree-saplings were planted in an area of 15 acres on the University Main Campus on the rear side of PG Block on 18.07.2025. This event was conducted as part of the various efforts of the University to safeguard and improve the environment of the campus.

After this event, the Religious Harmony Day was observed at the University Convocation Hall. Prof.G.Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, presiding over the event, said that these twin events are of great significance as they would create awareness among the youth and make them understand the intrinsic role of religious harmony and environmental protection for the nation's progress and development.

Inaugurating the event Hon'ble Minister for Co-operation Thiru.K.R.Periyakaruppan stated that religious harmony is at the base of all developments in a country like India where people profess various religions and faiths. History tells us that Tamil Nadu has been a haven of peace on account of religious harmony. Planting of saplings showed Alagappa University's commitment to societal welfare and preservation of green environment.

Hon'ble Minister for Forest, Khadi and Village Industries Thiru.R.S.Rajakannappan, speaking at the function, said that Alagappa University has gained the status of a clean and green university; and the Sivagangai District, in fact, had secured the top place among the districts in planting tree saplings. He lauded the initiatives taken by the state government to protect environment and religious harmony.

Hon'ble Minister for Backward Classes Thiru.C.V.Meyyanathan referred to various schemes introduced by the government to extend the forest coverage area to 33 per cent from the current 23 per cent. “Under the 'Pasumai Tamizhagam Scheme' so far 15 crore saplings had been planted”, he added.

Thiru K.Nawaskani, M.P., Ramanathapuram Constituency, stated that unassailable faith of Indian people in the dictum “unity in diversity” contributed to religious harmony.

In his inspiring keynote address, Thavathiru

Kundrakudi Ponnambala Adigalar recited a poem to show how trees serve humans at every stage from their birth to death. He said that Nature's contribution to human and animal life is inestimable. Just as the left hand does not know what the right hand gives, so does nature provide everything necessary for human life. He quoted from Tamil classics to show the ancient Tamils' broad perspective of life for universal harmony and peace. Love for fellow beings is the basis of everything, he added.

The Most Reverend Lourdu Anandam, Bishop, Sivagangai Dioceses, stated that the Tamil Society has all along been a knowledge-driven society as our ancestors understood the significance of education and many philanthropists contributed remarkably to the cause of education.

A book containing a collection of articles written by various researchers of the University captioned *Historical Perspectives on Communal Harmony in India* was released at the event.

Thiru.Karti P.Chidambaram, Member of Parliament, Sivagangai Constituency, Thiru.S.Mangudi, M.L.A., Karaikudi and Tmt.K.Porkodi, I.A.S., Sivagangai District, Former Vice-Chancellors Prof.S.Subbiah, Prof.R.Thirumalaisamy, Former Minister Thennavan, Industrialist Thiru.P.L.Padikasu, President of the Karaikudi Chamber of Commerce Thiru Samy Thiravidamani, VIPs of the Karaikudi Town, Syndicate members Prof.V.Palanisamy, Prof.C.Sekar, Prof.S.Rajaram and Prof.J.Jeyakanthan, Registrar Dr.A.Senthilrajan, Controller of Examinations Dr.M.Jothi Basu, Director of CDOE Prof.E.Kannapiran, Finance Officer i/c, Prof.C.Vethirajan, Faculty Members and Administrative Staff were among those present on the occasion.

Earlier a Skating Rink was declared open at Alagappa University Alumni ECO Park, Ponnagar, Karaikudi for the benefit of the public.

Earlier Dr.K.Krishnamoorthy, Co-ordinator, Centre for Youth Welfare and Empowerment, welcomed the gathering. Dr.G.P.Raja, Dy.Co-ordinator, proposed a vote of thanks.

GATE-JAM EXAMS - 2026 - AWARENESS PROGRAMME ORGANISED



The GATE-JAM Exams-2026 Awareness Programme was held at Alagappa University, Karaikudi, on September 25, 2025, which was jointly organised by the IQAC, The Dean, Faculty of Science and The Placement Cell of Alagappa University. Prof. Sudakar Chandran from the Department of Physics, IIT Madras, served as the resource person.

In his presidential address, Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi, appealed to the students to make the best use of this opportunity to enhance their academic and career prospects.

The session provided valuable insights into eligibility criteria, exam structure, timelines and opportunities associated with GATE and JAM. It was informed that IIT Gwahati will conduct GATE 2026, while IIT Bombay will coordinate JAM 2026. Both exams will be held in February 2026, and results will be declared in March.

The speaker pinpointed the advantages of qualifying these exams that included admission to premier institutions such as IITs, IISc, and NITs, research fellowships, stipends, and career opportunities in leading PSUs like DRDO, BHEL, ONGC, etc. Career avenues also extend to teaching, research, and admissions to reputed international universities. Prof. Sudakar noted that students from humanities can also take up the exam and derive benefits through opportunities in interdisciplinary research and higher studies.

Karaikudi has been designated as a GATE examination centre, and it will be hosted by CECRI.

The session concluded with guidance on preparation resources, including the NPTEL, GATE portal, official websites, and access to

previous years' question papers. It was also clarified that GATE scores remain valid for three years, while JAM scores are valid for one year. 700 students from various departments of the University participated in the programme.

MASS YOGA DRILL HIGHLIGHTS 11TH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA CELEBRATIONS



Alagappa University celebrated the 11th International Day of Yoga on June 21, 2025, under the aegis of its Centre for Yoga Education, aligning with this year's global theme, "Yoga for One Earth, One Health." The importance of celebrating International Yoga Day is to create an awareness about Yoga among individuals across the world.

In his presidential address, Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, emphasized the holistic value of Yoga and stated that it nurtures not only the body but also sharpens the mind and enhances social harmony. "Yoga is part of our ancient culture, dating back over 2,000 years. Practising it daily for at least 20 to 50 minutes leads to peace of mind, productive work, and community well-being," he said.

He added that since 2016, the university has been offering Yoga Training to University fraternity and general public. In 2018 the University established the Centre for Yoga Education; and he highlighted the significance of pursuing Yoga course stating that it ensures 100% placement opportunity with high salary for the Yoga Instructors.

The Vice-Chancellor, Syndicate Members, Officials, Faculty Members, Administrative Staff

and Students participated in the Mass Yoga Drill held in front of the Administrative building of Alagappa University. The Vice-Chancellor distributed certificates to the all the participants of the Yoga Drill.

Earlier, Dr.A.Senthilrajan, Registrar, Alagappa University, welcomed the gathering, At the end, Prof.S.Saroja, Coordinator, Centre for Yoga Education, proposed a vote of thanks.

Towards Digital Transformation

THREE INNOVATIVE SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS LAUNCHED



Alagappa University has taken a significant step forward in its digital transformation journey with the launch of three important software applications.

The ceremony was held on September 9, 2025. Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, officially launched the software systems in the presence of distinguished administrators and faculty members.

The three newly launched applications include: 1. E-Office Automation System, 2. QR Code-Based Feedback and Evaluation System and 3. USIC Equipment Booking Application.

The event was organized by Dr. S. Santhoshkumar, Director (i/c), Directorate of Management Information System (MIS), Alagappa University, who also demonstrated the applications during the ceremony.

The Vice-Chancellor lauded the MIS team for their contributions and said that these digital initiatives will significantly enhance administrative efficiency, service quality, and research opportunities at Alagappa University.

ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY SECURES 44TH POSITION IN THE UNIVERSITIES CATEGORY IN NIRF ASSESSMENT



Alagappa University, Karaikudi, has secured the 14th position among State Public Universities, the 44th position in the Universities Category, and the 73rd position in the Overall Category out of 4,045 higher educational institutions assessed at the national level under the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF).

The Hon'ble Union Minister of Education, Dr. Dharmendra Pradhan, released the India Rankings 2025 during a function organized by the Ministry of Education (MoE) in New Delhi on 04.09.2025. A total of 14,163 Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) participated in the ranking exercise across various categories and subject domains. Among these, 4,045 institutions participated in the Overall Category. Compared to last year, this year 3,318 HEIs participated in various categories, while 1,264 HEIs participated in the Overall Category.

Alagappa University has secured the 3rd position in both the Overall Institutions Category and the Universities Category among the participating universities from Tamil Nadu. For the past seven years, the University has consistently ranked within the Top 50 in the Universities Category and the Top 100 in the Overall Category. This year, the University has achieved an improved ranking compared to last year.

The National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) evaluates institutions on five broad parameters: Teaching, Learning and

Resources; Research and Professional Practice; Graduation Outcomes; Outreach and Inclusivity; and Perception (from the public, academics, and employers). It also assesses the quality of research papers published in journals and their citations.

At Alagappa University, the Ranking Cell, under the leadership of Sr. Prof. J. Jeyakanthan, Director, along with his team members, meticulously collected, analyzed, and submitted the required data to NIRF, MoE, New Delhi.

Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor of Alagappa University, has placed on record his appreciation to the faculty members, research scholars, postgraduate students, administrative fraternity, and other stakeholders for their continued commitment towards the growth and development of the University.

41ST FOUNDATION DAY & OFFICERS' DAY CELEBRATED



The University celebrated its 41st Foundation Day and Officers' Day on 9th May, 2025. Delivering the presidential address, Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi noted that the University, having successfully completed 40 years, is now entering its 41st year. He stated that this institution's progress in teaching, research, and extension activities are owing to the hard work and dedication of former Vice-Chancellors, Registrars, Controllers of Examinations, Faculty, and Administrative Staff. He had a word of praise for the present staff and students of the University for their commitment to do hard work. He called upon everyone to contribute together to elevate the University to greater heights.

In his special address, Former Registrar Dr.

R. Dhandapani praised the University for its remarkable growth with the cooperation of all stakeholders. He pointed out that the active interest shown by the public in the University's development is a rare and unique feature. He added the Government recognized the immense contribution of philanthropist Dr. Alagappa Chettiar to education and that led to the birth of Alagappa University.

Syndicate Members Prof. V. Palanisamy, Prof. C. Sekar, and Prof. S. Rajaram, spoke on the occasion. On behalf of the administrative staff, Mr. J. Karunanidhi, Assistant Technical Officer, and Mr. M. Murugesan, Assistant Registrar, addressed the gathering.

In recognition of his 25 years of unblemished service, Mr. Shyam Sundar, Laboratory Assistant, was honoured by the Vice-Chancellor with a shawl, a certificate of appreciation, and a cash award of ₹2,000. Recently retired administrative staff members were also felicitated with shawls by the Vice-Chancellor.

Earlier in the day, the Vice-Chancellor, the chief guest, university officials, and staff members planted saplings at the University Officers' Garden. Registrar Dr. A. Senthilrajan welcomed the gathering, Controller of Examinations Dr. M. Jothi Basu proposed a vote of thanks. The event was compered by Dr. Sumathi, Director of Alagappa University Community Radio.

ANTI-RAGGING AWARENESS PROGRAMME ORGANISED



Alagappa University organized a Two-Day Anti-Ragging Awareness Programme on 13th & 14th Aug 2025 as a proactive initiative to ensure a safe, inclusive, and ragging-free campus environment.

The event, held at the University's Convocation Hall was aimed at sensitizing students—especially freshers—to the adverse impacts of ragging, and informing them about institutional support systems, legal safeguards, and student rights.

The programme featured speeches by university administrators, senior faculty members, syndicate members, police officials, and guest speakers, and was structured to include awareness talks, keynote addresses, legal insights, and motivational messages.

Dr. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, opened the session with a warm welcome. He emphasized the administration's unwavering commitment to students' safety, reiterating the university's “zero-tolerance policy on ragging”. He encouraged students to engage in positive peer relationships and highlighted available mechanisms for redressal.

Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, presided over the session. He highlighted the importance of discipline and respect in campus life and expressed his vision for a nurturing academic environment where every student feels secure and valued. He urged students to reject regressive practices like ragging and promote a culture of collaboration and leadership.

Thiru. Ashish Puniya, IPS, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Karaikudi, delivered the inaugural address. He detailed the legal aspects of ragging, including punishable offences under the “Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Ragging Act” and “UGC Regulations”, and explained how such practices can have long-term implications on students' academic and professional futures. Dr. C. Sekar, Member of the Syndicate, in his keynote address, stressed the emotional and psychological consequences of ragging.

Dr. C. Yogalakshmi, Dean, Faculty of Management, spoke about values-based leadership and mutual respect. Dr. K. Krishnamoorthy, Head, Dept. of History, reflected on ethical student conduct and historical perspectives on youth activism. Dr. S. Rajaram, Member of the Syndicate, invoked Tamil literary and moral traditions to highlight the values of kindness and fraternity. Thiru. V. Sundararaman, Chairman, Indian Red Cross Society, Sivagangai District, encouraged students to practice compassion and humanitarian service. Thiru. S. Ramachandran, Inspector of Police, North Police Station,

emphasized law enforcement's active role in campus safety and called for student vigilance. Dr. C. Vethirajan, Dean of Student Affairs, reiterated the university's support mechanisms and encouraged openness in communication.

Dr. V. Palanisamy, Syndicate Member, spoke at the event focusing on the role of digital literacy, awareness, and student leadership in building safe campuses. He encouraged students to raise their voices against all forms of harassment.

Dr. G. Kalaiyaran, Dean, Faculty of Education, spoke on emotional development and the role of education in instilling values. Dr. J.E. Merlin Sasikala, Principal i/c, AUCE, emphasized empathy and emotional resilience. Dr. J. Jeyakanthan, Dean, Faculty of Science, highlighted peer mentoring and academic engagement as tools for community building. Dr. M. Sundar, Principal, College of Physical Education, drew parallels between sportsmanship and ethical conduct among students. Thiru. S. Ramachandran, Inspector of Police, emphasized vigilance, self-discipline, and the value of safe student spaces. Dr. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, thanked stakeholders for their active involvement in the event.

ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD IN HIGHER EDUCATION 2025



The Indian Institute of Right to Information (RTI), New Delhi, honoured Alagappa University, Karaikudi, with the International Excellence Award in Higher Education 2025. The award was presented during the Right to Information Day and Seminar, held on September 28, 2025, at the India International Centre, New Delhi. Prof. G. Ravi,

Vice-Chancellor received the award from Mr. Manish Kumar Shekhar, Chairman of the Indian RTI Institute. A total of five universities across India were selected for this distinction, with Alagappa University being the only university from Tamil Nadu to receive the honour. The award recognizes the University's prompt and efficient handling of all petitions filed under the Right to Information Act, 2005, as well as its sustained commitment to maintaining an eco-friendly and green campus environment. Notably, Alagappa University had also received the same award last year, underscoring its consistent record of excellence in transparency and good governance.

4TH TAMIL NADU STATE PARA ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIP FOR YOUTH AND SUB-JUNIOR ATHLETES ORGANISED



The 4th Tamil Nadu State Para Athletics Championship for Youth and Sub-Junior categories was jointly organized by the Tamil Nadu Paralympic Sports Association and the College of Physical Education, Alagappa University on 11th & 12th Aug 2025 at the College of Physical Education Grounds. It was approved by the Paralympic Committee of India and supported by the Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu (SDAT). The event aimed to promote and develop the athletic skills of young para-athletes across the state. Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi praised the determination and talent of the para-athletes and highlighted the role of sports in building self-confidence and resilience in them. Registrar Prof. A. Senthilrajan was as the chief guest, and Principal of the College of Physical Education Prof. M. Sundar, served as the competition director. The event was coordinated under the leadership of Er. R. Chandrasekar, President of the Tamil Nadu Paralympic Sports Association, and Mr. Kirubakar

Raja, General Secretary. Mr. P. Ranjith Kumar, National Para Athletics Coach and Dhyan Chand Awardee; G. Vijayasarathi, International Gold Medallist; Dr. C. Vairavasundaram, Assistant Professor, and Dr. D. Pandiselvi, Assistant Trainer, both from the College of Physical Education, Alagappa University contributed to the success of the event. Around 500 differently-abled youth athletes from various parts of Tamil Nadu enthusiastically participated in the championship. The Vice-Chancellor presented medals and certificates to the winners who excelled in the competitions.

STUDENTS WIN GOLD AND SILVER MEDALS AT INTERNATIONAL YOGA CHAMPIONSHIP IN MALAYSIA



Students Ms. Sandhiya and Ms. J. Hema from the Yoga Centre of Alagappa University, took part in the 1st International Yoga Championship and Art & Cultural Festival 2025, held on August 15, 2025, at the International Youth Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. 250 contestants representing Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Singapore, and India participated in the event.

Ms. Sandhiya won the Gold Medal in the Open Category, secured Second Place in the 15–25 age group, and received the Silver Medal in the Champion of Champions event. Ms. J. Hema won Second Place in the 15–25 age group, the Gold Medal in the Champion of Champions category, and Third Place in the Long-Holding Yogasana event.

In addition, Dr. Saroja, Professor and Coordinator of the Yoga Education Centre, also brought honour to the university by winning the Gold Medal in the Long-Holding Yogasana (Bhujangasana – 10 minutes) category. She also

served as a jury member at the International Yoga Championship and was conferred with the prestigious “Yoga Ratna Award.”

The medal winners were congratulated by Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi.

Shaping Future Leaders

UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES TEACHERS' DAY - 2025



The Teachers' Day was celebrated on September 8, 2025, at the University Convocation Hall. The event was presided over by Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor. He praised the tireless efforts of the university's faculty members in advancing the institution's academic excellence, which has enabled Alagappa University to secure the 14th position among state universities in the NIRF 2025 rankings.

The Vice-Chancellor announced that the university would soon enter into MoUs with various industries to provide structured training programmes that enhance students' employability skills.

Prof. P. Manisankar, former Vice-Chancellor of Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, delivered the special address. He urged teachers to consider their students as their own children and work towards shaping their bright future. He lauded Alagappa University's steady progress over four decades, stating that it now stands on a par with several century-old universities. He also exhorted faculty members to publish more high-quality research papers.

Renowned humourist and novelist Pulavar R. Ramalingam gave an inspiring talk on the topic “Sculptors Who Shape Minds.” He said that “students begin to love a subject only when they love the teacher who teaches it.” He urged teachers

to guide and help students minimize their dependence on mobile phones, and to focus on meaningful communication. "Life resides in words," he noted, adding that "to conquer the classroom, teachers must first conquer the library," recalling C. Rajagopalachari's example of building a library at home. Teachers, he said, must identify students' talents, chisel away what is unnecessary, and nurture what is essential. "Only a clear-minded teacher can truly touch a student's heart," he concluded.

During the event, faculty members who had completed 25 years of distinguished service, as well as those recognized as the best teachers and researchers of the year, were honoured with certificates and cash awards by the Vice-Chancellor. Commemorative gifts were presented to all faculty members.

The function began with a welcome address by Registrar Dr. A. Senthilrajan, and concluded with a vote of thanks by Controller of Examinations Prof. M. Jothi Basu.

NSS CELL ORGANIZES PRE-CAMP INAUGURATION FOR FIVE-DAY ADVENTURE CAMP



The NSS Cell of Alagappa University organized a Pre-Camp Inauguration Ceremony for the Five-Day Adventure Camp scheduled to be held from 14th to 18th Sept 2025 at the Scouts Training Centre, Coonoor. The event took place on 13th Sept 2025 at the Science Campus of Alagappa University. A total of 50 NSS volunteers from the University Departments and its affiliated colleges were selected to participate in this historic camp, the first of its kind organized by the University.

Inaugurating the camp, Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor of Alagappa University, lauded the efforts of the NSS Cell and described the camp as a milestone in the University's history. Emphasizing the importance of physical fitness, he remarked, "A

sound mind lies in a sound body." Delivering the special address, Dr. M. Jothi Basu, Controller of Examinations, stressed the value of physical well-being and discipline and urged the volunteers to be role models in promoting awareness on social issues and called upon the youth to fight against drug abuse and contribute to creating a clean and drug-free environment.

Prof. M. Sundar, Principal of Alagappa University College of Physical Education and Former Vice-Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Physical Education and Sports University, Chennai, spoke on the occasion.

Earlier, Dr. M. Natarajan, NSS Coordinator, welcomed the gathering. Dr. P. Boomi, NSS Programme Officer, proposed a vote of thanks.

17TH NATIONAL YOUTH PARLIAMENT COMPETITION ORGANIZED



The 17th National Youth Parliament Competition (NYPC) was organized by Alagappa University in collaboration with the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Government of India on 06-04-2025. The programme aimed to inculcate in students the spirit of democratic participation, responsible citizenship and public speaking skills through a simulated parliamentary session. The inaugural session commenced with a welcome address by Dr.N.Johnson, Co-ordinator, who highlighted the objectives of the Youth Parliament initiative and emphasized its importance in nurturing informed and responsible youth. The event was presided over by Prof.G.Ravi, Vice-Chancellor. He lauded the efforts of the Ministry and the University in bringing such initiatives to

campus and encouraged students to gain political awareness and leadership qualities. The keynote address was delivered by Thiru. Karti P. Chidambaram, Member of Parliament, Sivagangai Constituency, who praised the concept of Youth Parliament as a powerful tool for educating students about the legislative process and civic responsibility. Dr. Rajendra Mehta, Group Co-ordinator, 17th NYPC and Prof. S. Venkatraman from the Central University of Tamil Nadu, spoke on the occasion, appreciating the enthusiasm of the participants. The Youth Parliament session commenced thereafter, where students enacted a full-fledged parliamentary discussion on current national issues with remarkable articulation, decorum and parliamentary procedure. The session was witnessed and judged by a panel comprising a Member of Parliament, a Ministry Representative and an Academic Representative. A Viksit Bharat Pledge was taken which was the highlight of the programme. At the conclusion of the session, the Ministry Representative announced six best performers, recognizing their excellence in debate, leadership and parliamentary conduct. Dr.M.Kanaga, Teaching Assistant, Department of Lifelong Learning, proposed a vote of thanks.



INAUGURATION OF M.SC. BIOCHEMISTRY PROGRAMME

The M.Sc. Biochemistry Programme was inaugurated in the Department of Bioinformatics, Alagappa University on 21.08.2025. Prof. J. Jeyakanthan, Head of the Department of Bioinformatics, delivered the welcome address. Dr. P. Bhoomi, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of the programme, explained the objectives, structure, and significance of the new programme. Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, in his inaugural address,

described Biochemistry as a dynamic and interdisciplinary subject that collaborates closely with other fields. He urged the students to take full advantage of all resources available at the university and to engage with faculty members to enhance their knowledge and research skills. Dr. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, urged the students of the Biochemistry programme to contribute to the university's legacy by producing more research publications and patents. The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Prof. Sanjeev Kumar Singh from the Department of Bioinformatics.



ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY RADIO'S AGRICULTURAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME REACHES 100th EPISODE



The Alagappa University Community Radio in collaboration with the Department of Fertilizers under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, Government of India, and with the support from the IFFCO and NFL fertilizer companies, has been successfully broadcasting a special agricultural awareness series titled

“Manpayanura”.

As part of this initiative, the 100th episode featured a special interview with Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor of Alagappa University, who shared his experiences in agriculture, discussed current challenges faced by farmers, and suggested sustainable solutions for the future. The celebration of the 100th episode was held on Sept 26th, 2025, at the Tholkappiar Hall of the Lakshmi Valar Tamil Library on the university campus. Delivering his presidential address, Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi said that, as a farmer himself, he deeply understands the importance of conserving soil fertility and water resources. He emphasized that farmers, agricultural students, and experts must work together to promote natural and sustainable farming practices for long-term ecological balance. Controller of Examinations Prof. M. Jothi Basu delivered a special address highlighting the importance of bio-fertilizers and the potential for achieving fully organic farming in India. Dr. M. Manivannan, Diabetologist, Sri Parvathi Hospital, Karaikudi; Mr. T. Kumaran, Regional Manager, IFFCO, Tiruchi Zone; Mr. S. Babu, Coordinator, Chettinad College of Agriculture and Research Institute; Mrs. M. Priyanka, Deputy Director, Department of Horticulture, Sivagangai; and Dr. M. Karuppuraj, Assistant Professor, Sethu Bhaskara College of Agriculture and Research, spoke on the occasion. Earlier, Dr. S. Sumathi, Director (i/c) of Alagappa University Community Radio, delivered the welcome address; Mr. P. Sukunaraaj, Deputy Manager, Corporate Social Responsibility Division, IFFCO, proposed the vote of thanks. The celebration was attended by farmers from villages around Karaikudi engaged in organic farming, along with students from Chettinad and Sethu Bhaskara Colleges of Agriculture.

HANDS-ON TRAINING ON THE DIGITAL VALUATION SYSTEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF CONDUCTED

The Office of the Controller of Examinations and the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Alagappa University, Karaikudi, jointly organized a Hands-on Training on the Digital Valuation System for the University's

administrative staff on Sept 9, 2025. Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, inaugurated the training. In the technical sessions, hands-on training was given by Mr. V. Balasubramanian, Portal Developer, Bharathidasan University; Prof. T. R. Gurumoorthy, Advisor, Directorate of Distance and Online Education, Alagappa University; Mr. C. Pandimuthu, Senior System Analyst, Mr. N. Silambarasan, and Mr. V. Kannan, Applications Programmers from Alagappa University. The workshop provided participants with practical exposure to the digital evaluation process and aimed at enhancing transparency and efficiency in examination management. Prof. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, Prof. M. Jothi Basu, Controller of Examinations, Dr. S. Arun, Deputy Controller of Examinations, Prof. K. Alamelu, Director, IQAC spoke on the occasion.



BLOOD DONATION CAMP ORGANISED



A Blood Donation Camp named “Operation Sindhoor”, was jointly organized by the NCC, Health Care Centre, NSS Units, YRC, and the Indian Red Cross Society, on 06.08.2025 at the Indoor Stadium of the College of Physical Education, Alagappa University. Dr. M. Sundar, Principal of the College of Physical Education,

welcomed the donors. The event was presided over by Registrar Dr. A. Senthilrajan. The camp was inaugurated by Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi. A medical team led by Dr. Manimaran (M.D.) and Dr. K.C.M. Rajkumar (M.S.) from the Government Hospital, Karaikudi Blood Bank, collected 51 units of blood from 51 student-volunteers. The event was well organized under the coordination of Lt. Dr. C. Vairavasundaram, NCC Officer of Alagappa University, and Dr. R. Aanandhi, University Medical Officer.

ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR YRC PROGRAMME OFFICERS ORGANIZED

A one-day orientation programme for Youth Red Cross (YRC) Programme Officers of Alagappa University's affiliated colleges was jointly organized by the Tamil Nadu State Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) and the Alagappa University Youth Red Cross on 16th July 2025.

Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi, who presided over the event, highlighted several service activities of the University's YRC, such as the organisation of free medical camps, blood donation drives, and environmental awareness programmes benefiting students, staff, and the community. Stressing the importance of health and sustainability, he urged everyone to use safe drinking water, plant more trees to preserve the environment, and recognize the link between greenery, rainfall, groundwater recharge, and soil fertility.

Delivering a special address, Mr. V. Sundararaman, President of the Sivagangai District IRCS, spoke about the district's Red Cross initiatives.

Earlier in the day, a blood donation camp was organized jointly by Alagappa University YRC, Sivagangai District IRCS, NSS, NCC, and the University Health Care Centre, and it was inaugurated by the Vice-Chancellor. A medical team led by Dr. P. Sittu Hari and Mr. Soosai Raj from Sivagangai Government Medical College collected blood from 60 donors, including students and faculty.

Dr. K. Vinayagamoorthy, University YRC

Coordinator, welcomed the gathering, and Dr. Ganesamoorthy, Associate YRC Coordinator, proposed a vote of thanks.

FREE EYE CAMP FOR FACULTY AND STAFF CONDUCTED ON FOUNDER'S 116TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY



To mark the 116th birth anniversary of philanthropist Vallal Alagappan, the Health Care Centre, Youth Red Cross, and Centre for Yoga Education jointly organized a free eye camp for faculty members and administrative staff, in collaboration with Vasan Eye Care Hospital, Karaikudi, at the University Health Care Centre.

Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi presided over the event. Besides eye check-ups, blood pressure and blood sugar tests, and bone density examinations were made. More than 185 participants, including students, faculty, and staff, benefitted from the camp.

Dr. R. Aanandhi, University Medical Officer, welcomed the gathering, and Dr. G. Vinayagamoorthy, Coordinator of the YRC, delivered the vote of thanks.

ONE-DAY ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR NSS PROGRAMME OFFICERS CONVENED



The National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell of Alagappa University organized a one-day orientation programme for NSS Programme Officers of the University and its affiliated colleges at the University. Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi, presiding over the event, said that 108 NSS units are actively functioning in the University and its affiliated colleges. He noted that of the University's 436-acre campus, over 386 acres have been converted into a green campus through extensive tree plantation drives, with vital contributions from NSS volunteers. Delivering the keynote address, Dr. C. Samuel Chelliah, Regional Director, NSS, praised the effective functioning of the NSS units in Alagappa University and called for greater dedication from Programme Officers. Quoting Swami Vivekananda, he urged officers to instil enthusiasm and social service values among students. Dr. P.N. Gunasekaran, State NSS Officer, Tamil Nadu, in his special address, outlined the responsibilities of Programme Officers and stressed the importance of blood donation drives and student contributions during emergencies. He asked the NSS co-ordinators to maintain details of student blood donors from each college. Dr. M. Natarajan, NSS Coordinator of Alagappa University, delivered the welcome address, and Dr. N. Johnson, NSS Programme Officer, proposed the vote of thanks.

ONE-DAY FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME ON CARE – CURRICULUM ADVANCEMENT, RESEARCH EXCELLENCE, AND CAS EMPOWERMENT



The IQAC of Alagappa University organized a One-Day Faculty Development Programme on CARE – Curriculum Advancement, Research Excellence, and CAS Empowerment on 4th July 2025 at the

Veerakaviayarasar Mudiayarasanar Hall. Dr. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, set the tone with a warm welcome, underscoring the significance of sustained quality enhancement in academic institutions. Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, delivered an inspiring presidential address, articulating a forward-looking vision for curriculum innovation, impactful research, global academic presence, and a nurturing environment that empowers faculty to excel. Prof. V. Manickavasagam, Advisor, IQAC, presented the concept note, highlighting evolving accreditation paradigms and the growing need for evidence-based, outcome-driven quality processes. Prof. V. Sivakumar, Director, CDDC, elaborated on New Age Curriculum Design, emphasizing inter-disciplinarity, future readiness, and alignment with international academic trends. Prof. K. Alamelu, Director, IQAC, discussed pathways for strengthening IQAC beyond accreditation, focusing on proactive planning and robust internal systems for institutional ascendance. Prof. J. Jeyakanthan, Director, Ranking Cell, provided insights into enhancing institutional ranking and research visibility through improved scholarly output, collaborations, and strategic data use. Dr. M. Jothi Basu, Controller of Examinations, clarified key aspects of the Career Advancement Scheme, offering clear guidance on documentation, evaluation, and faculty progression.

TWO PROFESSORS SELECTED FOR TAMIL NADU GOVERNMENT'S RESEARCH AWARDS



Two professors of Alagappa University have been selected for the Tamil Nadu Government's prestigious research awards, presented through the Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology. Prof. S. Vedhirajan, Senior Professor in the Department of Corporate Secretaryship, has

been chosen for the Best Researcher Award (2023) in the field of Social Sciences. He is widely recognized for his research on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). His studies have emphasized that, given the vast social needs of our country, greater attention must be directed towards education, healthcare, environmental protection, rural development, women's advancement, and skill development. Dr. K. Pandima Devi, Professor in the Department of Biotechnology, has been selected for the State Award (2022) in the field of Biological Sciences. This award is given annually by the Government of Tamil Nadu to recognize outstanding achievements of scientists across disciplines. Prof. Pandima Devi has been honoured for her research on the pharmacological applications of natural products. Her work focuses on the medicinal properties of natural compounds derived from Tamil Nadu's diverse medicinal plants, particularly their role in combating oxidative stress-related diseases such as Alzheimer's disease and cancer.

LIST OF ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL RETIRED FROM SERVICE

The following Administrative Personnel rendered dedicated services at Alagappa University and retired from service. The list contains Administrative Staff who retired from June 2024 to May 2025.



Mrs. T. Kamalambal
Assistant Registrar



Mrs. V. Jeyamangalam
Assistant Registrar



Mr. S. Gopalakrishnan
Deputy Registrar



Mr. S. Sornamoorthi
Deputy Registrar



Mr. S. Mohan Doss,
Assistant Registrar



Mr. Subramanian Natesan
Assistant (U)



Mr. M. Balasubramanian
Deputy Registrar



Mr. B. Seetharam Ragupathy
Assistant Executive Engineer



Dr. S. Narayanan Senior
Programmer (U)



Mr. R. M. Muthu
Plumber (SG)



Mr. S. Uma Shankar
Sergeant

FACULTY MEMBER AND STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN AI & WORKFORCE CONCLAVE 2025 AT CHENNAI



Alagappa University faculty and students participated in the AI & Workforce Conclave 2025, held on 10th Sept 2025 at GRT Ceremonies, Chennai. The event was organized by the Tamil Nadu State Planning Commission (SPC), the Centre for Innovation in Governance (CIG), and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) as part of the Tamil Nadu AI Mission. Dr. S. Santhoshkumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, along with three postgraduate students from the M.Sc. AI & Data Science programme, attended the one-day conclave.

The conclave, themed “Roadmap for Inclusive Skilling in the Age of AI,” brought together senior government officials, industry leaders, and academic experts. It highlighted the transformative role of Artificial Intelligence across IT, manufacturing, MSMEs, logistics, and financial services.

WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK – 2025 OBSERVED



The Department of Social Work and the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Science of Alagappa University, in collaboration with the Alagappa University Social Work Association (AUSWA), Global Mission Hospital, Karaikudi, and Athma Hospital, Trichy, organized a special programme on World Suicide Prevention Week – 2025 on 10th Sept, 2025. The event began with a signature campaign on suicide prevention, inaugurated by the Vice-Chancellor, followed by poster presentations on the theme. Delivering the welcome address, Dr. MA. Velusamy, Professor and Head i/c, Department of Social Work, underlined the global theme “Changing the Narrative on Suicide”, emphasizing community-based interventions and the role of social work in suicide prevention.

In his presidential address, Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, highlighted that India, despite being the fourth-largest economy, ranks alarmingly high in world suicide rates—third among women and fourth among men. He noted that suicide is not only a personal tragedy but also a national loss. He added that overuse of smartphones and social media fuels suicidal tendencies among the youth. He urged the youth to reconnect with nature to

reduce stress and lead healthier lives.

Dr. MCV Kumaresan, Chairman, Times Health Care Foundation and Global Institute of Medical Science, Karaikudi, in his felicitation, observed that stress levels have risen in the last three decades due to technological changes and lifestyle shifts. He referred to global trends, pointing out that while rich nations face high suicide rates, countries like Iceland and Finland, ranking high on the happiness index, report minimal cases. He stated that seven lakh suicides occur annually in India, especially among the youth, and he stressed that suicide prevention must begin with better parenting and early awareness creation at schools.

Mr. K. Soundar, Psychologist, Athma Mind Care Hospital, Tiruchirappalli, shared insights on counselling practices and the struggles of suicide survivors. He cautioned students against comparing themselves with others and urged them to cultivate empathy, healthy eating habits, and stress-free lifestyles. Quoting, “Life is not to prove yourself to anyone, but to live your life,” he encouraged youth to find meaning in living.

Delivering the thematic address, Dr. Venkatesan from the District Mental Health Programme, Sivagangai, said how academic pressure, family conflicts, and illnesses trigger suicides. He stressed the importance of early intervention, peer support, mental health education, and empathetic environments. He also highlighted the availability of government mental health support through the helpline number 14416. In her keynote address, Dr. J. Sujathamalini, Professor and Head, Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Science, discussed preventive strategies, early interventions, and the role of supportive systems in mitigating suicide risks. The programme also featured student paper presentations and cultural performances designed to create awareness about suicide prevention. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. J. Vignesh Sabarikiran, Teaching Assistant, Department of Social Work.

WALKATHON ON SUICIDE PREVENTION



In observance of World Suicide Prevention Week 2025, the Department of Social Work, in collaboration with the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Science, Alagappa University, organized a Walkathon to raise awareness on suicide prevention on 15th Sept 2025. The event, a 5 KM Walk, was inaugurated by Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor. The participants covered key areas of Karaikudi and ended the walkathon at the main entrance of Alagappa University. Students from the Departments actively participated, demonstrating their solidarity for mental health awareness. Participants raised slogans and displayed placards emphasizing the importance of suicide prevention, mental well-being, and community support. The walkathon served as a significant initiative to sensitize the public, foster community engagement, and promote the message that mental health is a collective responsibility.

FACULTY OF ARTS DEPARTMENT OF TAMIL

தமிழ் வார விழா

தமிழ் இலக்கியம் போற்றுவோம் ஆய்வரங்கம்

காரைக்குடி அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் தமிழ்த்துறையில் பாவேந்தர் பாரதிதாசன் அவர்களின் பிறந்த நாளை முன்னிட்டுக் கொண்டாடப்பெற்ற தமிழ் வார விழா தமிழ் இலக்கியம் போற்றுவோம் என்னும் தலைப்பிலான ஆய்வரங்கமாக 05.05.2025 அன்று நடைபெற்றது. தமிழ்த்துறையின் தலைவர் மூத்த பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். சு. இராசாராம் வரவேற்புரை வழங்கினார்.

தொடக்க விழாவிற்கு அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் துணைவேந்தர் பேரா. க.ரவி அவர்கள் தலையேற்று உரை வழங்கினார். அவர் தனது உரையில், தமிழின் அருமையை அயலகத்தில் நன்கு உணர்ந்துள்ளனர். உலகின் தொன்மையான மொழி தமிழ். பல நாடுகளிலும் பேசப்படும் பெருமைமிக்கது. ஏனைய மொழிகளில் தமிழ் மொழியின் தாக்கம் மிகவும் அதிகம். குறிப்பாக கொரியாவில் தமிழ் அடையாளங்கள் நிறைய உண்டு. மலேசியாவின் கடாரத்தில் பல பதிவுகள் அழிந்துவிட்டன. இலங்கையின் புகழ்பெற்ற யாழ் நூலகம் இன்று இல்லை. சில



ஒலைச்சுவடிகள் மட்டும் மிச்சமிருக்கின்றன. தமிழகத்தில் இன்னும் நம்முடைய பழமைகள் மிச்சமிருக்கின்றன. கட்டிடக் கலைக்குச் சான்றாகக் கல்லணை, தஞ்சை பெரியகோயில் ஆகியன இன்றும் நிலைத்து நிற்கின்றன. தமிழ் மொழியில் எண்ணற்ற அறிவியல் கருத்துகள் பொதிந்துள்ளன. அடுத்த தலைமுறையினராகிய நீங்கள் தான் தமிழ் மொழியையும் மரபையும் காக்க வேண்டும். நம் மொழி என்பதற்காக மட்டுமன்று. உலகத்தின் சிறந்த மொழி என்பதற்காகவும் தான் என்று குறிப்பிட்டுப் பேசினார்.

தொடர்ந்து கவிஞர் தங்கம்மூர்த்தி அவர்கள் தொடக்கவுரையாற்றினார். அவர் தனது உரையில், கடல்போலச் செந்தமிழைப் பெருக்க வேண்டும் என்றார் பாவேந்தர். சிங்கப்பூரில் ஏப்ரல் மாதம் முழுவதும் தமிழ்விழா சிறப்பாகக் கொண்டாடப்படுகிறது. ஆறாம் வகுப்புப் படிக்கிற மாணவி கூடத் தமிழின் பெருமையை உணர்ந்து பேசுகிறார். தமிழ்நாட்டில் அது போன்ற நிலையை உருவாக்கத் தொடர்ந்து வாசிப்புப் பயிற்சியை ஊக்குவிக்க வேண்டும் என்று பேசினார்.

அதனைத் தொடர்ந்து ஆய்வரங்க அமர்வுகள் தொடங்கின. முதலாவது அமர்வில், அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத் தமிழ்ப்பண்பாட்டு மையத்தின் இயக்குநர் பேராசிரியர் முனைவர்.செ.செந்தமிழ்ப்பாவை தலைமை தாங்கினார். தமிழ்த்துறையின் தலைவர் சு.இராசாராம், திருவாடானை அரசுக்கலைக் கல்லூரியின் தமிழ்த்துறையின் தலைவர் பேரா.முனைவர் மு.பழனியப்பன், காரைக்குடி இராமசாமி தமிழ்க்கல்லூரியின் முதல்வர் முனைவர். செ.நாகநாதன் ஆகியோர் கட்டுரை வாசித்தனர்.

இரண்டாவது அமர்வில் தமிழ்த்துறைப் பேராசிரியர் முனைவர் மு.சுதா அவர்களின் தலைமையில் அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத் தொலைநிலை மற்றும் நிகழ்நிலைக் கல்வி மையத்தின் பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். வெ. திருவேணி, அழகப்பா அரசுக்கலைக் கல்லூரி தமிழ் உயராய்வுமையத்தின் உதவிப்பேராசிரியர் து.இரவிக்குமார், அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத் தமிழ்த்துறை உதவிப்பயிற்றுநர் முனைவர் மு.இராணி ஆகியோர் கட்டுரை வாசித்தனர்.

மூன்றாவது அமர்வில் தமிழ்த்துறையின் இணைப்பேராசிரியர் மு.நடேசன் அவர்கள் தலைமையில் தேவகோட்டை ஸ்ரீசேவுகள் அண்ணாமலை கல்லூரியின் இணைப்பேராசிரியர், மு.சு.கண்மணி, காரைக்குடி இராமசாமி தமிழ்க்கல்லூரியின் உதவிப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். இரா.கீதா, ஸ்ரீசேவுகள் அண்ணாமலை கல்லூரியின் உதவிப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். ச.இளங்கோ ஆகியோர் கட்டுரை வாசித்தனர்.

நான்காவது அமர்வில் தமிழ்த்துறை இணைப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். கா.கணநாதன் அவர்களின் தலைமையில் அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் தமிழ்த்துறை உதவிப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர் சொ.சுரேஷ், தமிழ்த்துறையின் உதவிப்பயிற்றுநர் முனைவர். சொ.அருண் ஆகியோர் கட்டுரை வாசித்தனர்.

நிறைவு விழாவில் தமிழ்த்துறை உதவிப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். சொ.சுரேஷ் வரவேற்புரை வழங்கினார். அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் பதிவாளர் பேராசிரியர் அ. செந்தில்ராஜன்

அவர்கள் தலைமையேற்று உரை வழங்கினார். அவர் தனது உரையில், தமிழின் சிறப்பினை இன்றைய மாணவர்கள் முழுமையாக அறிந்து கொள்ள வேண்டும். நமக்குக் கிடைக்கிற வாய்ப்புகளைச் சரியாகப் பயன்படுத்தி தமிழ்மொழியின் வளர்ச்சிக்குப் பங்காற்ற வேண்டும் என்று குறிப்பிட்டுப் பேசினார்.

அழகப்பா அரசு கலைக் கல்லூரியின் தமிழ் உயராய்வு மைய இணைப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். மா.சிதம்பரம் நிறைவுவிழா உரை வழங்கினார். அவர்பேசியதாவது: தனக்கென ஒரு பெரிய கவிப்பரம்பரையை உருவாக்கிய பெருமை மகாகவி பாரதியாருக்கு உண்டு. ஸ்ரீசுப்பிரமணிய பாரதி கவிதா மண்டலத்தை உருவாக்கியவர் அவர். பாரதிக்குத் தாசனாகப் பாரதிதாசன் விளங்கியதைப் போலவே பாரதிதாசனுக்குத் தாசனாக (சுப்புரத்தின தாசனாக) கவிஞர் சுரதா விளங்கினார். பாரதியாரைத் தொடர்ந்து கவிஞர் பரம்பரையை வளர்த்த பெருமை பாவேந்தர் பாரதிதாசனுக்கு உண்டு என்று பேசினார். தமிழ்த்துறைத் தலைவர் மூத்தபேராசிரியர் முனைவர். சு.இராசாராம் நன்றியுரை வழங்கினார்.

பேரா. இராம. இராமநாதன் திருமதி. ருக்மணி இராமநாதன் மணிவிழா அறக்கட்டளைச் சொற்பொழிவு

காரைக்குடி அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் தமிழ்த் துறையில் பேராசிரியர் இராம. இராமநாதன் திருமதி ருக்மணி இராமநாதன் மணிவிழா அறக்கட்டளைச் சொற்பொழிவு 24.09.2025 அன்று நடைபெற்றது. இவ்விழாவில் தமிழ்த்துறைத் தலைவர் பேரா. சு. இராசாராம் வரவேற்புரை வழங்கினார். அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் துணைவேந்தர் பேராசிரியர் க. ரவி தலைமையுரை ஆற்றினார். அவர் தனது உரையில், தமிழின் வரலாறு மிகவும் தொன்மையானது. பண்பாட்டு நாகரிகச் சிறப்புடையது. உலகம் முழுவதும் கற்க வேண்டிய பல பாடங்களை அது தொடர்ந்து வழங்கிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறது. பல பதிவுகள் காலத்தால் மறைக்கப்படுகின்றன. கடாரம், இலங்கை உள்ளிட்ட பகுதிகளில் தமிழர்தம் வரலாற்றுப் பதிவுகள் சிதைந்து வருகின்றன. எகிப்து பிரமிடுகளில் தமிழ்ப் பதிவுகள் நிறைய உள்ளன. அவற்றை ஆராய்வோர் மிகக் குறைவாக உள்ளனர். தமிழ் பயிலும் மாணவர்கள் மட்டுமின்றித் தமிழைத் தாய்மொழியாக உடைய அனைவரும் இதுபோன்ற ஆய்வுகளில் மிகுந்த கவனம் செலுத்த வேண்டும். உலகமெங்கும் தமிழ் இருக்கைகள் பலவுண்டு. கலோன் தமிழ் இருக்கையை நான் சென்று பார்த்து வந்தேன். இத்தகு தமிழ் இருக்கைகளோடு நம் மாணவர்கள் நட்புறவையும் புரிந்துணர்வையும் ஏற்படுத்திக் கொள்ள வேண்டும். சிலப்பதிகாரம் இரண்டாம் நூற்றாண்டைச் சேர்ந்த இலக்கியம். இதற்குப் புரட்சிக் காப்பியம் என்று பெயர். ஏனென்றால் மூன்று பேரரசுகளையும் ஒருங்கிணைத்த பெருமை அதற்கு உண்டு. அதுமட்டுமல்ல பெண்மையை உயர்த்திப் போற்றிய காப்பியம் அது. இத்தகு எண்ணற்ற சிறப்புகளையுடைய சிலம்பினை முழுமையாக அறிய வேண்டும் என்ற காரணத்தினால்தான் இந்த அறக்கட்டளை தோற்றுவிக்கப் பெற்று தொடர்ந்து நடைபெற்று வருகிறது. மாணவர்கள் இதனை முழுமையாகப் பயன்படுத்திக் கொள்ளுதல் வேண்டும் என்று பேசினார்.

தொடர்ந்து 'நெஞ்சையள்ளும் சிலம்பு' என்ற தலைப்பிலே மதுரை செந்தமிழ்க் கல்லூரியின் துணை முதல்வர் முனைவர் ரேவதி சுப்புலட்சுமி சிறப்புரை வழங்கினார். அவர் தனது உரையில், சிலம்பு நம் பள்ளிப் பாடத்திற்குந்தே நம்முடைய நெஞ்சில் நிலைபெறத் தொடங்கி விட்டது. அதற்கு முதலில் கண்ணகி காப்பியம் என்றுதான் பெயர் அமைந்தது. சிலம்பு என்ற பெயர் தோன்றிய பின்னர்தான் ஏனைய இலக்கியங்கள் யாவும்



தமிழ்த்தாய்க்கு அணிகலனைப் போலத் தோன்றத் தொடங்கின. சகோதரத்துவத்தை முதன்மைப்படுத்திய காப்பியம் சிலப்பதிகாரம். எல்லாவற்றையும் துறந்த இளங்கோவடிகளால் தமிழைத் துறக்க முடியவில்லை. வீட்டுப் பெண்ணாக இருந்த கண்ணகியை ஏட்டில் ஏற்றிக் காப்பியத் தலைவியாக்கியது சிலப்பதிகாரம் என்று குறிப்பிட்டுப் பேசினார்.

இவ்விழாவில் 'தமிழ் இலக்கியம் போற்றுவோம்' என்ற தலைப்பில் அமைந்த கருத்தரங்கத்தின் ஆய்வுக் கோவை வெளியிடப் பெற்றது. துணைவேந்தர் அதனை வெளியிட அவ்விழாவின் ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் தமிழ்த்துறையின் உதவிப் பேராசிரியர் முனைவர் சொ. சுரேஷ் பெற்றுக் கொண்டார். தமிழ்த்துறையின் உதவிப் பயிற்றுநர் முனைவர் சொ. அருணன் விழாவினைத் தொகுத்து வழங்கி நன்றி கூறினார்.

பேரறிஞர் அண்ணா பிறந்தநாள் விழாச் சிறப்புச் சொற்பொழிவு

காரைக்குடி அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழக, பேரறிஞர் அண்ணா ஆய்வு இருக்கை சார்பாகப் பேரறிஞர் அண்ணா பிறந்தநாள் விழாச் சிறப்புச் சொற்பொழிவு 15-09-2025 அன்று நடைபெற்றது.

இந்நிகழ்வில் அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழக துணைவேந்தர் பேரா.க.ரவி அவர்கள் தலைமையேற்று உரைநிகழ்த்தினார். அவர் தனது தலைமையுரையில், பேரறிஞர் அண்ணா அவர்கள் கடுமையான உழைப்பாளி என்றும் தந்தை பெரியாரின் கொள்கைகளைப் பின்பற்றியதோடு மட்டுமின்றிக் காலத்திற்கேற்ற அளவில் அதனை மேம்படுத்தி அரசியலில் வெற்றி கண்டவர் அண்ணா என்றும் தெரிவித்தார். மேலும் அண்ணா சாதி, சமய வேறுபாடற்ற சமத்துவ சமுதாயம் காண விரும்பினார். அதற்காகத் தம் வாழ்நாளெல்லாம் பாடுபட்டார். அதனை இன்றைய தலைமுறையினர் மனத்திற் கொள்ள வேண்டும் என்றும் குறிப்பிட்டார்..

இவ்விழாவில் மாமனிதர் அண்ணா என்னும் தலைப்பில் மேனாள் சட்டமன்ற உறுப்பினர் கவிச்சுடர் கவிதைப்பித்தன் அவர்கள் சொற்பொழிவாற்றினார். அவர் தனது பொழிவில் எதிரணியில் இருந்தவர்களையும் மதித்துப் போற்றிய மாமனிதர் அறிஞர் அண்ணா என்றும் வாய்மையைத் தம் வாழ்நாளெல்லாம் பின்பற்றியவர் என்றும் கூறினார்.

முன்னதாக, பேரறிஞர் அண்ணா பிறந்தநாள் விழாவின் ஒரு பகுதியாக நடத்தப் பெற்ற கவிதைப் போட்டியில் பரிசு பெற்ற சீ. முகில் ஹர்ரீஸ், தி. ஜனனிபிரியா, லெ. வள்ளிமீனாள் ஆகியோருக்கும் கட்டுரைப் போட்டியில் பரிசு பெற்ற லெ. வள்ளிமீனாள், மு. சத்யா, ச. அன்னபுரணி ஆகியோருக்கும் பேச்சுப் போட்டியில் பரிசு பெற்ற நா.நவீன், பீ. ஜோஷி அபர்ணா, ந.முகமது கைசிப் ஆகியோருக்கும் முறையே முதற்பரிசு, இரண்டாம் பரிசு, மூன்றாம் பரிசும் சான்றிதழும் துணைவேந்தர் அவர்களால் வழங்கப்பட்டன.

பல்கலைக்கழகப் பதிவாளர் முனைவர். அ. செந்தில்ராஜன் வாழ்த்துரை வழங்கினார். நிகழ்ச்சியின் தொடக்கத்தில் பேரறிஞர் அண்ணா ஆய்வு இருக்கை



ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளரும் தமிழ்த்துறைத் தலைவருமாகிய பேரா. சு. இராசாராம் அனைவரையும் வரவேற்றார். நிறைவாக, தமிழ்த்துறை உதவிப் பயிற்றுநர் முனைவர் சொ. அருணன் நன்றி கூறினார்.

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அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத் தமிழ்ப்பண்பாட்டு மையம் மற்றும் தமிழ்நாடு தமிழ்ச்சங்கம் இணைந்து நடத்திய, பன்முக நோக்கில் கவியரசர் கண்ணதாசன் என்ற பொருண்மையிலான பன்னாட்டுக் கருத்தரங்கம் அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் வீறுகவி முடியரசனார் அரங்கத்தில் 18.07.2025 அன்று நடைபெற்றது. இக்கருத்தரங்கில், தமிழ்நாடு தமிழ்ச்சங்கம் பொதுச் செயலாளர் பொன். ஆதவன், அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழக ஆட்சிக்குழு உறுப்பினர் பேராசிரியர் சு. இராசாராம், தமிழ்ச்செம்மல், கவிதை கணேசன், தமிழ்நாடு தமிழ்ச்சங்க நெறியாளர்கைச் செயலாளர் இர. தேன்மொழி, இராணி மேரி கல்லூரி இணைப் பேராசிரியர் இரா. கமலா முருகன், தமிழ்நாடு தமிழ்ச்சங்கத் தலைவர் இரா. ஹேமலதா, கவிஞர் கோ. மக்கள் கவிஞர். அரு. நாகப்பன், கண்ணதாசனின் மகள் விசாலாட்சி கண்ணதாசன் ஆகியோர் கலந்து கொண்டு சிறப்புரையாற்றினர். அமெரிக்காவிலிருந்து திருமதி. ஜெயா மாறன் மற்றும் நெதர்லாந்த் கூரியத்தமிழ்த் தொலைக்காட்சி நிறுவனர் சாந்தி இரவீந்திரன் ஆகியோர் இணையவழியில் தங்களது உரையை நிகழ்த்தினர். இக்கருத்தரங்கின் நிறைவுவிழாவில் தலைமையுரையாற்றிய அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத் துணை வேந்தர் பேரா. க.ரவி அவர்கள், மாணவர்களின் ஆராய்ச்சிக் கட்டுரை எழுதும் திறனை ஊக்குவிக்கும் வகையில் இத்தகைய பன்னாட்டுக் கருத்தரங்குகள் உதவிபுரிய வேண்டும் என்று தெரிவித்தார். அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத் தமிழ்ப்பண்பாட்டு மையத்தின் இயக்குநரும் மூத்த பேராசிரியருமான சே. செந்தமிழ்ப்பவை அவர்கள் இக்கருத்தரங்கத்தை ஒருங்கிணைத்து நடத்தினார். இக்கருத்தரங்கில் தமிழகம் மற்றும் கர்நாடகாவில் இருந்து பேராசிரியர்கள் கலந்து கொண்டு கட்டுரைகள் வாசித்தனர். கட்டுரைகள் அனைத்தும் ISBN எண்ணுடன் நூலாக்கி வெளியிடப்பெற்றது.

அறிவுத் திருவிழா

அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தில் இயங்கி வரும் திருமதி லக்ஷ்மி வளர்தமிழ் நூலகம் சார்பாக நடத்திய நூல் வாசிப்பின் இன்றியமையாமை குறித்த உரையரங்கம் இந்நூல் வெளியீட்டு விழா இந்நூல் திறனாய்வு ஆகிய நிகழ்வுகள் அடங்கிய அறிவுத் திருவிழா 26.03.2025 வளர்தமிழ் நூலகக் கருத்தரங்கக் கூடத்தில் நடைபெற்றது. இவ்விழாவில் மூத்த பேராசிரியர் மற்றும் திருமதி லக்ஷ்மி வளர்தமிழ் நூலகத்தின் இயக்குநர் பேரா. சே.செந்தமிழ்ப்பவை வரவேற்புரையாற்றிச் சிறப்பித்தார்.

இவ்விழாவில் காரைக்குடி அழகப்பா அரசு கலைக் கல்லூரித் தமிழாய்வுத்துறை இணைப்பேராசிரியர் முனைவர் மா. சிதம்பரம் வாசித்தலும் சுவாசித்தலும் என்னும் தலைப்பிலும் மருத்துவர் சுனில் கிருஷ்ணன் சமீபத்திய மொழியாக்கப் புதினங்கள் - ஓர் அறிமுகம் என்னும் தலைப்பிலும் சிறப்புரையாற்றினார்கள்.

தொடர்ந்து திரு. துரை. அறிவழகன் அவர்களின் ஈஸ்டர் முயல் என்னும் சிறுகதைத் தொகுப்பு நூல் வெளியீடு சிறப்பு நடைபெற்றது. இந்நூலைக் காரைக்குடி இராமசாமி தமிழ்க் கல்லூரியின் முதல்வர் முனைவர் சே.நாகநாதன் அவர்கள் வெளியிட மருத்துவர் சுனில் கிருஷ்ணன் அவர்கள் பெற்றுக்கொண்டு சிறப்பித்தார். அதனைத் தொடர்ந்து முனைவர் சே.நாகநாதன் அவர்கள் இந்நூல் குறித்த திறனாய்வு உரையை வழங்கினார். நிறைவாக திருமதி லக்ஷ்மி வளர்தமிழ் நூலகத்தின் துணை நூலகர் முனைவர் ச. கிஷோர்குமார் அவர்கள் நன்றியுரையாற்ற விழா இனிதே நிறைவுற்றது. இவ்விழா அழகப்பா பல்கலை சமுதாய வானொலியில் நேரடி ஒளிபரப்பு செய்யப்பெற்றது.

இளையோர் களம் - களம் புதிது! கனவு பெரிது!



திருமதி லக்ஷ்மி வளர்தமிழ் நூலகம் சார்பாக நடத்திய இளையோர் களம் - களம் புதிது! கனவு பெரிது! என்னும் நிகழ்வு 25.09.2025 வளர்தமிழ் நூலகத்தில் உள்ள தொல்காப்பியர் அரங்கத்தில் கொண்டாடப்பட்டது. இவ்விழாவில் வளர் தமிழ் நூலக இயக்குநர் மூத்த பேராசிரியர் முனைவர் சே.செந்தமிழ்ப்பவை அவர்கள் வரவேற்பு மற்றும் தலைமையுரையாற்றினார். அவர்தம் தலைமையுரையில் வளர் தமிழ் நூலகத்தில் உள்ள 400-க்கும் மேற்பட்ட குழந்தை இலக்கிய நூல்கள் குறித்து மாணவர்கட்கு அறிமுகப்படுத்தி நூல்களைப் படிப்பதனால் கிடைக்கும் நன்மை குறித்தும் விளக்கினார்.

இவ்விழாவின் சிறப்பு விருந்தினராக காரைக்குடி ஸ்ரீ கார்த்திகேயன் அரசு உதவி பெறும் துவக்கப்பள்ளி கலாம் வகுப்பறை ஆசிரியை திருமதி ப.லட்சுமி அவர்கள் கனவு காணுங்கள் என்னும் தலைப்பில் மேனார் குடியரசுத் தலைவரான அப்துல் கலாமின் வாழ்க்கை வரலாறு இவ்வரது அறிவியல் சிந்தனைகள் மாணவர்கள் மத்தியில் பதிந்துள்ளதையும் நூல்களின் சிறப்புகளையும் எடுத்துரைத்தார்.

இதன்பின் கார்த்திகேயன் அரசு உதவிபெறும் துவக்கப் பள்ளி மாணவச் செல்வங்கள் நூல்களை நேசிப்போம் என்னும் தலைப்பில் பேசினார் மற்றும் திருக்குறள் இ ஆத்திகூடி கூறுதல் இ அப்துல் கலாமின் காமராசர் இ அழ.வள்ளியப்பா பாடல்களைப் பாடுதல் இ தனி மற்றும் குழு நடனம் போன்ற பல்வேறு கலை நிகழ்ச்சிகளையும் மாணவர்கள் திறம்பட

நடத்தினர்.

வளர் தமிழ் நூலக உதவியாளர் முனைவர் ஐ.சேவியர் ஜெயக்குமார் அவர்கள் நன்றி கூற விழா இனிதே நிறைவுற்றது.

நூல் வெளியீட்டு விழா



திருமதி லக்ஷ்மி வளர் தமிழ் நூலகம் சார்பாக 10.05.2025 சனிக்கிழமையன்று நூல் வெளியீட்டு விழா வளர் தமிழ் நூலகத்தின் இயக்குநர் பேராசிரியர் சே. செந்தமிழ்ப்பாவை அவர்கள் தலைமையில் நடைபெற்றது. பேராசிரியர் தன் தலைமையுரையில் வளர்தமிழ் நூலகம் தொடங்கப்பெற்றதன் நோக்கம்இ ஆற்றும் பணிகள்இ நூல் வாசிப்பின் தேவை ஆகியவை குறித்து எடுத்துரைத்தார். மேலும் காசுஇ பணம்இ துட்டு என்னும் நூலை அவர் வெளியிட முனைவர் அ. சேவற் கொடியோன் பெற்றுக் கொண்டார். 25 கட்டுரைகளின் தொகுப்பாக அமைந்துள்ள இந்நூல் குறித்து தமிழ்ப் பண்பாட்டு மைய முனைவர்பட்ட ஆய்வாளர் கு. கார்த்திக் திறனாய்வரை வழங்கினார். காப்பியக் கவிஞர் முனைவர். இரா. பாகை கண்ணதாசன் அவர்கள் எழுதுகோல் தெய்வம்இ எழுத்தும் தெய்வம் என்னும் தலைப்பில் சிறப்புரை வழங்கினார். காசு பணம் துட்டு நூலின் தொகுப்பாசிரியர் எழுத்தாளர் மகாபிரபு அவர்கள் ஏற்புரை வழங்கினார். இந்நிகழ்விற்கு வளர் தமிழ் நூலக வாசகர் வட்ட உறுப்பினர் நல்லாசிரியர் மெ. செயம் கொண்டான் வரவேற்புரை வழங்க மாவட்ட ஆசிரியர் கல்வி மற்றும் பயிற்சி நிறுவன முதுநிலை விரிவுரையாளர் முனைவர் அ.சேவற் கொடியோன் நன்றி நவில விழா இனிதே நிறைவுற்றது.

பாரதி விழா நிகழ்வுகள்

அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத் தமிழ்ப் பண்பாட்டு மையம் மற்றும் நுண்கலைத்துறை இணைந்து நடத்திய பாரதி விழா 11.09.2025 அன்று திருமதி லக்ஷ்மி வளர்தமிழ் நூலகத்தில் உள்ள தொல்காப்பியர் அரங்கத்தில் கொண்டாடப்பட்டது. இவ்விழாவில் மூத்த பேராசிரியர் முனைவர். சே.செந்தமிழ்ப்பாவை அவர்கள் வரவேற்புரையாற்றினார்.



பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் துணைவேந்தர் பேராசிரியர் க. ரவி அவர்கள் இவ்விழாவிற் குத் தலைமையேற்றுத் தலைமையுரையாற்றினார். அவர் தமது உரையில் பாரதியின் கவிதைகள் சமூகத்தில் ஏற்படுத்திய தாக்கம் பற்றியும் கவிதைகளில் காணலாகும் மொழிப்பற்றுஇ பெண்ணுரிமை போன்றவற்றை சுட்டிக்காட்டிய தோடு தமிழ் மொழியின் சிறப்பினை யும் தஞ்சைப் பெரிய கோயிலின் தொழில்நுட்பத்தினையும்இ கரிகாலன் கட்டிய கல்லணையின் தொழில்நுட்ப சிறப்புகளையும்இ தமிழரின் தொன்மையைப் பறைசாற்றும் கீழடியின் சிறப்புகளையும் மாணவர்கள் அறிந்து கொள்ள வேண்டும் அவற்றை அடுத்த தலைமுறையினருக்குக் கொண்டு செர்க்க வேண்டும் என்றுரைத்தார்.

இவ்விழாவின் சிறப்பு விருந்தினராக தேவகோட்டைஇ ஸ்ரீ சேவுகன் அண்ணாமலை கல்லூரிஇ தமிழ் உயராய்வு மையத்தின் இணைப் பேராசிரியர்இ முனைவர் மு.சு. கண்மணி அவர்கள் பாரதி கண்ட பொதுவுடமைச் சிந்தனைகள் என்னும் தலைப்பில் உரையாற்றினார். அவர்தம் உரையில் பாகுபாடுகளை நீக்குவதே பொதுவுடமைஇ மனிதநேயமே பொதுவுடமையாக மாறுகின்றது. தனி ஒரு மனிதனுக்கு உணவில்லை எனில் ஜகத்தினை அழித்திடுவோம் என்ற பாரதியின் வரி பொதுவுடமைக்கு வித்திடுகிறது என்று எடுத்துரைத்தார்.

நுண்கலைத் துறையின் உதவிப் பயிற்றுநர் முனைவர் பெ. குபேந்திரன் அவர்கள் நன்றிகூற விழா இனிதே நிறைவுற்றது.

கோலாகல பரதநாட்டியக் கலை நிகழ்ச்சி



அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழக நுண்கலைத்துறைஇ காரைக்குடி முத்து சுழற் சங்கமம்இ சிட்டி யூனியன் வங்கி ஆகியவை இணைந்து இரணியூர் நகரச் சிவன் கோயிலில் மாபெரும் பரதநாட்டியக் கலை நிகழ்ச்சி 24.08.2025 அன்று நடத்தப் பெற்றது. இந் நிகழ்வில் 500க்கும் மேற்பட்ட பரதக் கலைஞர்கள் கலந்து கொண்டு பரதநாட்டியத்தை ஆத்மநாதசுவாமிக்கு அர்ப்பணித்தனர். இந்நிகழ்விற்கு அழகப்பா பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் துணைவேந்தர் பேராசிரியர் க.இரவி அவர்கள் தலைமை வகித்துத் தலைமையுரையாற்றினார். அவர்தம் உரையில் சிலப்பதிகாரத்தில் நடனக் கலைச் செய்திகள் இடம் பெற்றிருக்கும் முறைஇ மாதவி ஆடிய நடனம் ஆகியவை குறித்து மிகச்சிறப்பாக எடுத்துரைத்தார். கோவிலூர் ஆதினம் சீர் வளர்சீர் நாராயண ஞான தேசிக சுவாமிகள்இ சிதம்பரம் அண்ணாமலை பல்கலைக்கழக மேனாள் துணைவேந்தர் திரு.இராம. கதிரேசன்இ நுண் கலைத்துறைத் தலைவர் முனைவர். சே. செந்தமிழ்ப்பாவை ஆகியோர் வாழ்த்துரை வழங்கினர். நிகழ்ச்சி ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் மாரிமுத்து அவர்கள் வரவேற்பு வழங்கி காரைக்குடி முத்து சங்கம் சுழற்சங்கத் தலைவர் சுஆ. முருகப்பன் அவர்கள் நன்றியுரை வழங்கினார். இதில் காரை பிரிண்டர்ஸ் முத்துக்குமாரிஇ இரணியூர் நகரப் பெருமக்கள்இ பொதுமக்கள் என ஆயிரத்திற்கும் மேற்பட்டோர் கலந்து கொண்டனர்.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES

International Webinar on Monstrous Behaviour: Literary and Psychological Encounters

The Department of English and Foreign Languages held an International Webinar on 10th July 2025 with Dr. Andrew Mangham, Professor of Victorian Literature and Medical Humanities, University of Reading, England as the resource person. Professor Andrew Mangham spoke as follows: In English Literature, there is a body of works that deal with strange, enigmatic and sometime eccentric characters like Lady Macbeth in Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, Iago in *Othello*, Edmund in *King Lear* and Gertrude in *Hamlet*. An analysis of these characters reveals the fact that though they lead a very comfortable life in terms of their economic conditions, social status and possession of powers, something in them triggers the trait of propensity to do evil things. Without being satisfied with their resources and status, they develop greed for more and more powers. The character Lady Macbeth leads a very luxurious life. But it does not gratify her. She instigates her spouse to assassinate Duncan, the King of Denmark. It leads to their ruin. Similarly, Iago's evil traits destroy himself besides inflicting tragedy upon Othello and Desdemona. Hamlet's mother need not have abetted the assassination of her husband and King of Denmark, by being hand in glove with her husband's brother, Claudius. Literature is filled with great number of negative characters like this. In order to sensitise the readers about the prevalence of such negative characters in the real world and caution them not to fall a prey to the evil of negativities, the creative artists may have introduced such villainic characters with incredibly negative traits in them. In the beginning, Prof. Dr. P. Madhan, Head of the Department of English and Foreign Languages, welcomed the gathering. The students, research scholars, faculty from University English Department and also from Affiliated Colleges attended the webinar. In the end Dr. S. Valliammai, Assistant Professor of English, proposed a formal vote of thanks.

International Webinar on Obscurity in Wordsworth's *The Prelude*

The Department of English and Foreign Languages organised an International Webinar on 29th August 2025 by inviting Dr. Tim Milnes, Chair of Romantic Literature and Philosophy, English Literature, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, the UK. Prof. P. Madhan, Head of the Department of English, delivered the welcome address following which the Guest of Honour, Prof. Tim Milnes presented his ideas in the following manner: A keen look at the evolution of English Poetry brings to light the fact that the movements of Classicism and Romanticism have occurred alternately. Classicism attaches much importance to adoption of classical rules, and description of city life and the lives of upper echelons of society. It focuses on logic and reason and it appeals to mind. Neo-classical poets like John Dryden, and Alexander Pope made notable contributions to the neo-classical poetry. Later on, there came a paradigm shift in the landscape of poetry with the flowering of Romanticism. Thomas Gray's "Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard" is said to have begun the Romantic Movement in English Literature. Then it reached its zenith by the poetic compositions of established Romantic poets like Wordsworth, Coleridge, Shelley, Byron and Keats. Wordsworth's *Prelude* exhibits the bard's evolution of poetic consciousness. He defines poetry as "Spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings further adding that it is emotions recollected in tranquillity. The postgraduate students, research scholars, members of faculty from University English Department and Affiliated Colleges attended the Webinar. In the end Dr. M. Natarajan, Assistant Professor of English, proposed a formal vote of thanks.

Special Coaching to Pass SET and NET Examinations for Postgraduate Students and Research Scholars



The Department of English and Foreign Languages organised special coaching for the post graduate students and research scholars of the Department on 1st Sept 2025. Dr. Angkayarkan Vinayakaselvi, Associate Professor and Head of English Department, Bharathidasan University, Trichy, imparted training to students on how to prepare effectively for passing SET and NET examinations. She said that every day students should allot at least an hour to prepare for these examinations. She further motivated the students by stating that all areas of literature such as Indian Writing in English, British Literature, American Literature, Language and Linguistics, English Language Teaching and Literary Criticism and Theory should be given equal importance. She further articulated that glancing at previous years' questions also would be of great help to students to pass the exam. Above all, she said that students should believe in themselves, besides adding that confidence and positive thoughts are the key to success. Consistency in preparation is essential, Dr. Angkayarkan Vinayakaselvi stressed. Earlier Prof. P. Madhan, Head of the Department of English, welcomed the gathering. The post graduate students and research scholars of the Department attended the training programme. In the end, Dr. Sudha, Assistant Professor of English, proposed a formal vote of thanks.

Prof. K. Chellappan Endowment Lecture



The Department organised a Special Discourse on the theme of Harlem Renaissance on 9th Sept 2025 under the aegis of Prof. K. Chellappan endowment. Prof. K. Rajaram, former Head of English Department of Annamalai University, Chidambaram, was the resource person. Prof. P. Madhan delivered the

welcome address. The resource person Prof. K. Rajaram spoke as follows: Harlem Renaissance was a literary, artistic, philosophical and cultural phenomenon that flowered in the initial decades of the twentieth century at Harlem in New York City, America. The black race which was subjected to untold hardships including slavery woke up to the bitter reality of their vulnerable conditions. The whole Black community sought to employ literature, art, drama, poetry and music as a weapon to ward off racial bias and racial discrimination. In the entire of history of black community, the phenomenon of Harlem Renaissance is considered to be a milestone event. The result of this movement was that the members of black race grew in confidence and felt that they are not inferior to anyone and second to none. Langston Hughes, Countee Cullen, Claude McKay and others are regarded as the chief contributors to Harlem Renaissance. It is to be noted here that the locale of Harlem was only a symbolic capital of Harlem Renaissance. Writers and Musicians from across European continent made contribution to Harlem Renaissance. The significance of this movement is that it offered an opportunity to the intelligentsia of the black race to disprove the negative stereotypes and misconceptions about the black race by the dominant white race. Literature of Harlem Renaissance echoed as the voice of the voiceless.

The post graduate students, research scholars, faculty from University Department and Affiliated Colleges attended the endowment lecture. In the end, Dr. M. Natarajan proposed a formal vote of thanks.

DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN'S STUDIES

Special Lecture on Gender Budgeting in India



The Department of Women's Studies and Gender Budget Cell organized a special lecture on "Gender Budgeting in India" on 3rd April 2025. The lecture aimed to create awareness and enhance

understanding of the concept of gender budgeting and its significance in promoting gender equality through effective fiscal policies.

Dr. S. Meena Priyadarshini, Head and Director i/c, Department and Centre for Women's Studies, Mother Teresa Women's University, Madurai, highlighted how gender budgeting acts as a strategic tool for achieving gender equity by integrating gender perspectives into budgetary processes at various levels of governance and emphasized that gender-responsive budgeting ensures equitable resource allocation and empowers women through targeted developmental schemes. Participants reflected a strong interest in understanding the intersection of gender and fiscal governance. The lecture concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. P. Veeramani, Assistant Professor and Head i/c, Department of Women's Studies, Alagappa University.

Special Lecture on “Economic Empowerment and Sustainable Development”

The Department of Women's Studies organized a special lecture on “Economic Empowerment and Sustainable Development” on 21st July 2025. Dr. P. Veeramani delivered the welcome address.



Dr. K. Ramesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Rural Development, elaborated on the pivotal role of women in the economy of a country, and dwelt on the importance of women's financial independence, which acts as a key driver for promoting inclusive growth. He provided valuable insights into how empowering women economically can uplift entire communities, particularly in rural areas. Dr. P. Sindhuja, Adjunct Faculty, delivered the vote of thanks.

Awareness Programme on “Mission Shakti” Organized

An awareness programme on “Mission Shakti – District Hub for Empowerment of Women

(DHEW)” was jointly organized by the Department of Women's Studies, Alagappa University, and the District Social Welfare Office, Sivagangai on 21st July 2025. Dr. P. Veeramani delivered the welcome address.

Mrs. Rathi Devi, District Social Welfare Officer, highlighted the government schemes for women's safety, and empowerment initiatives under Mission Shakti. 45 gender studies students participated and raised questions on the measures to overcome challenges faced during field activities. Dr. P. Sindhuja, Adjunct Faculty, delivered the vote of thanks.

Skill Training Programme on “Saree Draping and Entrepreneurship Skills”



The Department of Women's Studies organized a One-day Skill Training Programme on “Saree Draping and Entrepreneurship Skills” on 24th July, 2025. Dr. P. Veeramani, in her welcome address, highlighted the value of vocational skills for women entrepreneurs. The resource person Ms. Rani demonstrated saree pre-pleating, box folding, and draping techniques. Students could learn the nuances and enhance their skills on draping methods. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. P. Sindhuja.

Special Lecture on Role of Youth in Nation's Development

In collaboration with Nehru Yuva Kendra, Sivagangai a Special Lecture was organized by the Department on 24th July 2025. Dr. P. Veeramani, in her welcome address, emphasized the most significant role of youth in nation-building. Mr. P.V. Praveen Kumar, District Youth Officer, Ministry of Youth Affairs, Government of India, conducted an insightful session on “My Bharat India Initiative,” a transformative platform aimed at empowering youth

by connecting them with various developmental opportunities across the country. He provided a detailed classification of youth-centric schemes under different categories such as education, skill development, entrepreneurship, leadership, and volunteerism. The students engaged in discussions and posed thought-provoking questions regarding career prospects, skill enhancement, and ways to contribute to community and national development through government schemes. Dr. P. Sindhuja proposed a vote of thanks.

Special Lecture on Significance of Promoting Gender Equality



On 30th July 2025 the Department in collaboration with Dr. Zakir Hussain College, Ilayangudi organized a Special Lecture on the Importance of Promoting Gender Equality. The aim of the programme was to create awareness about the importance of promoting gender equality and its impact on family, society, and nation as well. Dr.S.J. Helen, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, Dr. Zakir Husain College, welcomed the participants and highlighted the role of gender champions in promoting a gender fair society. Prof. S.E.A. Jabarullah Khan, Principal of Dr. Zakir Hussain College, in his presidential address, highlighted the significance of promoting gender equality in public and private spheres and also asked the girl-students to overcome the hurdles in order to achieve their goals. Dr.P. Sindhuja, in her speech, explored the deep-rooted causes of gender inequality, its systemic effects on society, and suggested practical steps for moving toward a more equitable future. The lecture was followed by an interactive question-and-answer session that motivated participants to have an in-depth knowledge on the topic. The programme was organised by the Gender Champion Club of the

Women's Studies Department and 70 students benefited from the programme.

Lecture on “Entrepreneurship and Innovation for Future Leaders” Arranged

A special lecture on “Entrepreneurship and Innovation for Future Leaders” was arranged on 1st August 2025. Dr.P.Veeramani, in her welcome address, emphasized the importance of determination on the part of women and said that it would give them real empowerment.

Mr. Arul Jeyaraj, Founder and CEO of GRIT DigiTechPvt. Ltd. and GRIT Foundation, in his speech highlighted the entrepreneurial development skills such as leadership, innovation, and resilience. He emphasized the importance of developing entrepreneurial mindset, adaptability, and perseverance in today's competitive world. He also discussed how innovation and digital transformation can create new opportunities for youth, particularly women, to become self-reliant and confident leaders. Students sought guidance on startup development and digital opportunities. The session concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. I. Sivakumar, Adjunct Faculty.

Discourse on “Discovering Your Passion: A Path to Fulfilment”

The Department organized a discourse on “Discovering Your Passion: A Path to Fulfilment” on 4th August 2025. Dr. P. Veeramani delivered the welcome address by highlighting the importance of short term and long-term goals in academic and personal life.

The session was led by Dr.Nageswari, Former Principal, Seethalakshmi Achi College for Women, Pallathur. She exhorted students to identify their strengths and pursue careers aligned with their passion. The students interacted effectively, by sharing their aspirations and learning experiences. She emphasized that success is not merely defined by achievements but by the satisfaction derived from doing what one truly loves. She encouraged students to overcome self-doubt, cultivate confidence, and stay committed to their goals, even when challenges arise. Dr. I. Sivakumar, Adjunct Faculty, proposed the vote of thanks.

Special Lecture on “Life Skills Education for NME students”

The Department organized a special lecture on “Life Skills Education for NME students” on 5th Aug 2025. The aim of the programme was to enhance knowledge of NME students on importance of acquiring life skills and application of those skills to succeed in their lives and career. Dr. P. Veeramani delivered the welcome address and highlighted the importance of gaining life skills for personal growth and professional success.

Dr.G.P.Raja, Assistant Professor, Department of Education and Centre for Distance and Online Education, facilitated an engaging session on life skills orientation aimed at helping participants to develop essential skills for personal and professional growth. The session focused on building self-awareness, effective communication, decision-making, and emotional resilience. He used interactive discussions and real-life examples to make the concepts more relatable and practical. Participants gained valuable insights into how life skills can enhance their confidence, relationships, and overall well-being. The session was informative, motivating, and left a positive impact on participants. The event concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr.P.Veeramani.

Special Lecture on “Gender in Sports: Challenges and Pathway to Equity”

The Department organized a special lecture on “Gender in Sports: Challenges and Pathway to Equity” on 7th Aug 2025. Dr. P. Veeramani delivered the welcome address and emphasized the role of physical activity in holistic development.

Dr. T.P. Yokesh, Assistant Professor, Alagappa University College of Physical Education, in his lecture, said that gender bias in sports is a longstanding issue that affects athletes and women in leadership positions at all levels of competition. He highlighted that self-confidence, and overcoming the gender stereotypes can break societal barriers and promote gender equality in sports. He encouraged the students to view participation of women and girls in sports not just as a discipline, but as a powerful tool for personal and social transformation. Students participated actively in the interactive discussion, raised pertinent

questions and shared their own views, which further enriched the session. Dr. I. Sivakumar, Adjunct Faculty, proposed a vote of thanks.

Gender Sensitization Programme for Gender Champions Conducted



In collaboration with V.S.S. Government Arts College, Pulankurichi, the Gender Champion Club of the Department organized a Gender Sensitization Programme on “Gender Equality” at V.S.S. Government Arts College on 13th Aug 2025, at Pulankurichi. The main objective of this programme was to make young students gender sensitive. Dr. P. Veeramani emphasised the importance of creating positive social norms that focus on valuing the gender equality and their rights.

Dr.I.Sivakumar emphasized the need for equal opportunities and mutual respect for all. His talk highlighted the role of education in promoting social awareness and empowerment of women. The session inspired participants to work towards creating a more inclusive society. Ms. M. Sathya Priya, President of Student Council, proposed a vote of thanks.

Talk on “Discovering NGOs and Fieldwork Exposure”

A talk on “Discovering NGOs and Fieldwork Exposure” was organized by the Department on 17th Sept 2025. Mr.A.Arun Kumar, EC Member of Student Council, presented the welcome address. Dr. P. Veeramani delivered the special address highlighting the importance of community engagement with NGO collaboration.

Mr. Micheal, Director TRUPA NGO, Thirupathur explained NGO activities, fieldwork expectations, and social intervention methods and highlighted the critical role NGOs play in addressing grassroot challenges that often remain unaddressed by

mainstream systems. Ms.P.Parkavi proposed a vote of thanks.



Special Lecture on “Insights on Techniques in Field Work Report-Writing”

A special lecture on “Insights on Techniques in Field Work Report Writing” was organised on 19th Sept 2025. Mr.S.Sudharshan presented the welcome address. Dr. P. Veeramani delivered the special address and emphasized the significance of NGOs in empowering women at the grassroot level.

Mr. K. Selvanathan, Assistant Professor, Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Tirupathur, explained the link between academic research and field-based NGO work. Students interacted effectively learning about the partnership opportunities with NGOs. The speaker discussed how academic institutions can contribute through evidence-based research, policy recommendations, and gender-sensitive programme evaluations. He added that NGOs provide the field experience, community engagement, and ground realities that enrich academic understanding. Mr.Thennarasu proposed a vote of thanks.

Legal Awareness Programme on Family Welfare Laws Organized

The Department of Women's Studies in collaboration with District Legal Service Authority, Sivagangai, organized a “Legal Awareness Programme on Family Welfare Laws” on 26th Sept 2025. Dr. P. Veeramani delivered the welcome address.

Prof.G.Ravi, Vice-chancellor, Alagappa University, emphasized the need for awareness on



family welfare laws and encouraged students to become responsible citizens by understanding their legal rights and responsibilities. Ms. V. Rathika, Secretary, Sub-Judge, District Legal Service, Sivagangai, delivered an insightful address on family welfare laws and legal protection, and she also elaborated on the nuances in the Domestic Violence Act, 2005, Family Welfare Act, 1984, and the Parents and Elderly Care Act, 2007. She highlighted issues related to divorce, child custody, child safety, and referred to the emotional and legal impact on children. Her session raised awareness on promoting a safe, supportive, and legally informed family environment.

Mrs. Sathya, One Stop Centre and Advocate Mrs. Senthamizh, Karaikudi attended the event. Mr. K. Nagendran, District Legal Services Authority, Sivagangai, delivered the vote of thanks.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

Series of Book Talk Programmes Conducted

The Department of Social Work, Alagappa University, conducted its 36th Book Talk Program on July 8, 2025, featuring the motivational classic *You Can Win* by Shiv Khera. The session was conducted by Dr. MA. Velusamy, Professor and Head (i/c) of the department. He highlighted practical strategies suggested in the book for building self-belief, overcoming challenges, and achieving success through determination and integrity. He connected the book's lessons to the field of Social Work, motivating students to adopt these principles in their personal growth and professional practice.

The Department organized the 37th Book Talk Program on July 15, 2025. The session was led by Mr. S. Vinaitheerthan, a personality

development trainer, who provided an engaging and insightful overview of the book *World Cinema* by Chezian.

The 38th Book Talk Program was held on 22nd July, 2025, featuring *Ariyappadaatha Thamilagam* written by Tho. Paramasivam. Ms. Dhanalakshmi delivered an engaging and well-researched talk on the book's historical and cultural significance.

At the 39th Book Talk Program Dr. MA. Velusamy delivered an insightful presentation on the significance of the Vellore Mutiny in India's freedom struggle as highlighted in the book *Vellore Puratchi*.

The Department organized its 40th Book Talk Program on 12th Aug, 2025, featuring the celebrated Tamil literary work *Velpari*. The speaker was Dr. Ramesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Rural Development. He explored Velpari's unwavering commitment to justice, generosity, and the welfare of his people, highlighting the values of leadership and compassion embedded in the text. He also discussed the cultural, political, and historical significance of the epic, connecting its moral lessons to contemporary social work ethics and community leadership.

The 41st Book Talk Program was organised on 19th Aug, 2025, featuring the inspirational book *The Secret* by Rhonda Byrne. The talk was delivered by Dr. G. Ramalingam of the Department of Nanoscience and Technology. He dwelt on the book's central theme of the "Law of Attraction" and its impact on personal growth, motivation, and success.

At the 42nd Book Talk Program held on 26th Aug, 2025. Mr. J. Vignesh Sabarikiran, Teaching Assistant, was the speaker. He focused on the book "*Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar (Vol. 2) – Writings and Speeches from the Bombay Legislature, Simon Commission and Round Table Conference.*" and presented an engaging and insightful account of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's political engagements and visionary contributions during the critical phase of India's struggle for equality and self-governance. He referred to Dr. Ambedkar's intellectual rigor and commitment to social justice, highlighting his



interventions in the Bombay Legislature, his perspectives on the Simon Commission, and his strong voice in the Round Table Conference.

The 43rd Book Talk Program was held on 26th Aug 2025, featuring the book *PARAI – The Face of Tamil Culture and History* authored by Dr. M. Valarmathi. The session was led by eminent speaker "Kalaivalarmani" Mr. Muthamizhil Bharathi. In his talk, he traced the historical, cultural, and social significance of Parai, one of the oldest percussion instruments of the Tamil society. He highlighted how Parai evolved as not just a musical instrument but also as a symbol of Tamil identity, resistance, and cultural pride. Bharathi referred to its role in rituals, social movements, and its contemporary revival as a medium of social awareness.

The 44th Book Talk Program was arranged on 16th Sept, 2025. It featured the work *Vaai Mozhi Kadhaigal* authored by A. Sivasubramaniyan. Mr. K. Karthick, Research Scholar, Centre for Tamil Culture, provided a detailed exploration of the book. He highlighted the richness of oral tradition of storytelling as captured in *Vaai Mozhi Kadhaigal*, emphasizing their cultural significance, preservation of folk narratives, and their role in transmitting values across generations. He also connected the importance of such literature to the field of social work, especially in understanding communities and cultural contexts.

The 45th Book Talk Program on 23rd Sept 2025, focused on the monumental work *History of Western Philosophy* by Bertrand Russell. The speaker was Dr. K. Senthil Kumar, Professor and Head, Dept. of Politics and Public Administration. He provided an engaging and comprehensive

exploration of the evolution of Western philosophical thought from ancient Greece to modern times. He highlighted Russell's analytical approach, his critique of religious dogmas, and his advocacy for rationalism and scientific reasoning. Dr. Senthil Kumar further emphasized the relevance of philosophical inquiry in shaping critical thinking, ethical reasoning, and social perspectives in the field of social work.

MoU Signed between Alagappa University and International Buddha Education Institute



The Department of Social Work, Alagappa University, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the International Buddha Education Institute, Uttar Pradesh, on 13th August 2025. The signing ceremony took place at Alagappa University. The signing of MoU marks a collaborative effort to enhance academic, cultural, and professional exchange, benefiting social work students through exposure to global perspectives and practices inspired by Buddhist principles. Dr. MA. Velusamy, Professor and Head, Department of Social Work, emphasized the significance of the partnership, outlining how students would gain from training programmes, workshops and knowledge-sharing initiatives to be facilitated through the MoU.

Mr. Aki H. Otani, Secretary General, International Buddha Education Institute, Uttar Pradesh, delivered a special address, elaborating on the synergy between Buddhist teachings and social work principles, and the global relevance of fostering ethical and community-oriented professional practices.

MSW Students Participate in Grama Sabha Meeting at Vadagudi Village



As part of their field work engagement, the first-year MSW students from the Department of Social Work, Alagappa University, participated in a Grama Sabha Meeting on 15.08.2025 organized by the Vadagudi Village Panchayat. The programme aimed to provide students with exposure to local governance and community decision-making processes. The meeting began with a brief orientation given by Dr. MA. Velusamy, Professor and Head.

The Grama Sabha meeting commenced with a welcome address delivered by Ms. Harini Subha. The formal inauguration was made by the Secretary of the Village Panchayat. During the meeting, the students asked questions, clarified their doubts, and interacted with officials to understand various administrative and developmental processes. The key officials, including the Village Administrative Officer (VAO), Block Development Officer (BDO), and local police representatives, along with community members, participated in the event. The vote of thanks was delivered by Ms. Shri Priyadarshini. The participation in the Grama Sabha provided students with practical understanding of local governance, public participation, and community engagement, reinforcing their learning from the classroom to real-world social work practice.

One-Day Training Programme on Transgender Act 2019 & Rules 2020 Conducted

The Department and AUSWA in collaboration with the Madurai Institute of Social Sciences (MISS), Madurai, organized a One-Day

Training Programme on “Transgender Act 2019 & Rules 2020 for Social Work Students” on 1st Sept 2025.

Dr. MA. Velusamy emphasized the importance of sensitizing future social workers about the rights, challenges, and inclusion of the transgender community in mainstream society. The thematic address and training sessions were led by distinguished resource persons: Dr. M. Nisanth, Assistant Professor and Head and Mr. S. Charles, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, Madurai Institute of Social Sciences (MISS), Madurai. They elaborated on the key provisions of the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019 and the Rules, 2020, highlighting the legal safeguards, rights-based perspectives, and the role of social workers in advocacy and support for transgender persons. The sessions also included an interactive Q&A segment where students raised insightful questions, followed by feedback sharing that reflected their keen interest in applying the learnings to their fieldwork and future practice. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Ms. J. Janet Silviya, Teaching Assistant.

The event was supported by the National Institute of Social Defence, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, New Delhi, and served as a valuable platform for empowering social work students with legal knowledge and professional skills to promote inclusivity and social justice.

Webinar on Professional Social Workers' Solidarity Meet Held at Alagappa University

The Department and AUSWA organized a Webinar on “Professional Social Workers' Solidarity Meet towards Strengthening Network and Marching Forward” on 24th Sept 2025. The programme commenced with a presidential address by Dr. MA. Velusamy who emphasized the importance of solidarity among social workers and the need to strengthen collective identity as a professional body.

As part of the session, Mr. J. Vignesh

Sabarikiran, Teaching Assistant, presented a brief history of AUSWA. Ms. J. Janet Silviya, Student Convenor of AUSWA, shared her roles and responsibilities in the association. Mr. Shrivignesh, Vice-President of AUSWA, highlighted the key activities of the association, while Mr. Sachin, Secretary of AUSWA, spoke on the agendas of the first general body meeting and AUSWA's notable achievements. The Guest Speaker, Mr. Andrew Sesuraj M, President, Professional Social Workers' Association (PSWA) and Director, Institution for Development Education and Action (IDEA), elaborated on the vision and role of PSWA, emphasizing how social work students of Alagappa University could engage as active members. This session itself demonstrated progress, offering a strong platform for knowledge-sharing and professional exchange. The webinar concluded with an interactive discussion, leaving participants motivated to contribute actively to professional solidarity and expand their networks within and beyond India.

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Special Lecture on "Human Rights and Contemporary Issues"



The Department of History, Alagappa University, organised a special lecture on "Human Rights and Contemporary Issues" on 3rd Sept 2025.

The event was presided over by Prof. K. Krishnamoorthy, Head i/c, Department of History. He emphasised the necessity of integrating human rights concepts into higher education curricula and exhorted the students to uphold ethical values and social justice in their personal and professional lives.

The chief guest was Dr. S.S. Sundaram, Professor and Head, Department of Indian History, University of Madras. He delivered an insightful and thought-provoking lecture on "Human Rights and Contemporary Issues." He traced the historical evolution of human rights, discussed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and explained how human rights principles are embedded in the Indian Constitution. He also drew attention to contemporary challenges, such as gender inequality, child labour, caste discrimination, and violations of civil liberties, while stressing the responsibility of educated youth to be vigilant, informed, and proactive in defending human rights.

Dr. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, offered felicitations. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. G. Paranthaman, Assistant Professor.

Partition Horrors Remembrance Day Observed



The Department organized a Photo Exhibition and a Special Lecture in observance of Partition Horrors Remembrance Day on 14th Aug 2025. The event aimed to recall the hardships and sufferings experienced by people during the Partition of India and to emphasize the spirit of unity, peace, and reconciliation that emerged in the aftermath of independence.

The event was presided over and inaugurated by Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, who emphasized the importance of remembering historical struggles to strengthen the values of freedom and unity.

Dr. K. Krishnamoorthy welcomed the participants. He said that Partition is one of the

most significant and painful episodes in India's history. He stated that such observances would help students and scholars to understand the human cost of freedom and the enduring value of peace and unity.

The felicitation address was delivered by Dr. S. Rajaram, Syndicate Member. He highlighted the cultural impact of Partition on literature, language, and human relationships.

The special address was delivered by Prof. K. Sankari, Former Head, Department of History, Annamalai University, on the theme "Towards India's Independence: Traces of Pain and Peace." In her thought-provoking lecture, the speaker vividly described the historical and emotional dimensions of India's Partition, narrating how millions faced displacement, loss, and trauma while holding onto hope for a new beginning. She stressed that the lessons of Partition must continue to guide the younger generation toward fostering tolerance, empathy, and national unity. By drawing upon historical records, she conveyed that true independence lies not only in political freedom but also in nurturing peace and understanding among people. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. G. Paranthaman, Assistant Professor.

DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS

Special Lecture on "Impact of European Tendencies upon Indian Art"

The Department of Fine Arts, Alagappa University, organized a special lecture programme on "Impact of European Tendencies upon Indian Art" on 11th July 2025.

The programme began with the welcome address delivered by Prof. S. Senthamizh Pavai, Senior Professor and Head, Department of Fine Arts, who emphasized the importance of providing scholarly platforms for enhancing students' academic and artistic perspectives.

This was followed by a special address by Mr. Angappan, who highlighted the importance of theory in art education, stressing why artists must learn theory. He said it is essential to explain, interpret, and contextualize their creative works.



His thought-provoking remarks encouraged students to strike a balance between practical skill and theoretical understanding. The keynote lecture provided a comprehensive analysis of how European artistic movements influenced Indian painting, sculpture, and visual expression. The speaker explained the adoption of European realism, naturalism, and modernist ideas by Indian masters like Raja Ravi Varma, Amrita Sher-Gil, and artists of the Bengal School, while also noting how these influences were reinterpreted to create a distinct Indian identity. The session was highly engaging, with students and faculty members actively participating in the discussion. It offered valuable insights into the global context of Indian art.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Vijayamaniyan, Teaching Assistant, Department of Fine Arts.

Workshop on “Soul on Canvas: Portrait Painting” Organized

The Department organized a two-day “Soul on Canvas: Portrait Painting Workshop” on 22nd & 23rd Sept at the Tholkappiyar Arrangam. The inaugural function, held on 22nd Sept commenced with a welcome address by Dr. Senthamizh Pavai. The presidential address was delivered by Dr. S. Rajaram, Syndicate Member, who emphasized the significance of portrait studies in fine arts education. Mr. G. Vijayamaniyan, Teaching Assistant, proposed the vote of thanks.

The technical sessions were conducted by Mr. G. Thirounavacarassou, Guest Lecturer from Bharathiar Palkalaikoodam, Puducherry, who demonstrated various aspects of portrait drawing

and oil painting techniques. Students were trained in composition, human body measurements, and colour palette management through live demonstrations and practice sessions. A total of 12 students from Bharathiar Palkalaikoodam, Puducherry, and 107 students from Alagappa University participated.

Students' Achievements

Students from the Department of Fine Arts excelled in the Art Competition organized by the Kalpataru Trust. Lokesh S IV year BFA Painting secured the First Prize. Narayana Kumar K MFA I year won the Second Prize. Varshini P IV year BFA Painting earned a Special Prize for her creative presentation.



B. Ranjith II year BFA Painting brought laurels to the department by winning the Second Prize in the CM Trophy Chess Competition, along with a cash award of ₹2000.

World Music Day Celebrated



The Department organized the World Music Day Celebrations on 07th July 2025, at in the Valarthamizh Library Seminar Hall. The programme commenced with a welcome address

by Dr. M. Kannadasan, Teaching Assistant, who highlighted the importance of World Music Day and the impact of music on human life. The presidential address was delivered by Prof. S. Senthamizhpavai, who emphasized that music is a universal language that unites people across cultures. She further explained how music contributes to mental well-being and social harmony.

The special address was delivered by Dr. R. Ezilraman, Assistant Professor, Government Music College, Thiruvaiyaru, on the topic “Tamil Music and Film Music.” He spoke in detail about the tradition of Tamil music, the interrelationship between classical and film music, and the vital role of music in today's society. His talk was thought-provoking and well-received by the students. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. K. Vijaymaniyan, Teaching Assistant.

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Special Lecture on Indian Constitution and Contemporary Issues

The Department of Politics and Public Administration, Alagappa University, organised a Special Lecture entitled “Indian Constitution and Contemporary Issues” on 25th July 2025. Dr. K. Senthil Kumar, Professor & Head, welcomed the gathering and presented the thematic introduction.



In his Special Lecture, Dr.S.Murugesan, Principal, Government Law College, Karaikudi, said that the Indian Constitution is a unique blend of rigidity and flexibility, featuring a federal system with a strong unitary bias. Further, he referred to the historical events that led to the formation of the Constituent Assembly in India. Also, he added that the Preamble is based on the "Objective Resolution"

moved by Jawaharlal Nehru. The Constitution grants Fundamental Rights to all its citizens which are essential for a democratic society. The Indian Constitution, a robust framework, faces several challenges in the 21st century. He quoted the constitutional principle of secularism which is constantly tested by political developments and social tensions. He also highlighted that an enlightened citizenry with greater consciousness of their rights and duties is fundamental to a healthy democracy. At the end of the programme, Ms.A.Divya Stephena, proposed a vote of thanks.

Students Win Best Paper Awards



16 Students of the Department of Politics and Public Administration, Alagappa University, participated in the National Seminar on “Socio-Political Transformations and Indian Economic Development” organized by the Department of Economics and Public Administration, Kamaraj College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi, on 12th Sept 2025. Among them, Ms.Ezhilarasi S.D., Ms.Lalitha Uma Maheswari M., Mr.Murali A., and Mr.Vinayaga Moorthy S. won the Best Paper Awards for their presentations.

The students of the Department participated in the National Conference on “India and Mauritius Relations: Futuristic Trade, Economic Synergies and Cultural Exchange” organised by the Department of Business Administration, School of Management, Nehru College, Coimbatore on 16th Sept 2025. The conference focused on strengthening the trade, economic, and cultural relations between India and Mauritius. Alagappa University students presented research papers. Mr.T.Thanurajan and Mr.B.Vishnu were honoured with the Best Paper Awards at the conference.

Awareness Programme on “Stop Sexual Harassment and Ensure a Safe Learning Environment” Conducted

The Department organized an Awareness Programme on “Stop Sexual Harassment and Ensure a Safe Learning Environment” on 29th Sept 2025. The programme began with the welcome address by Prof. K. Senthilkumar, Head of the Department, who highlighted the importance of creating a safe and respectful atmosphere in educational institutions. Following this, Ms.A.Sumithira, Teaching Assistant, sensitized the students about the meaning and forms of harassment, along with the legal provisions available for protection.

DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

Invited Guest Lecture on Cracking NET Examination

The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, Alagappa University, organized an Invited Guest Lecture entitled “Cracking NET” on 21-07-2025. The session was led by Ms.Sabaritha, an alumna of the Department, who shared valuable insights and strategies for succeeding in the National Eligibility Test (NET).

Leprosy Awareness Training Programme Organised

The Department in association with NSS Unit AU89, organized a Leprosy Awareness Training Programme on 23rd July 2025 with the objective of sensitizing students and volunteers about leprosy and equipping them with practical knowledge to spread awareness in society. A special training session was conducted by the Tamil Nadu Leprosy Control Board team, who provided a detailed explanation on how to identify the symptoms of leprosy, methods of diagnosis and available medical treatments. Dr.Kavitha Rani, Deputy Director of Medical Services (Leprosy) explained about the significance of spreading awareness on leprosy.

Invited Guest Lecture on Impact of AI in Higher Education

The Department organized an Invited Guest Lecture on “Impact of AI in Higher Education” on 01-08-2025. Dr.M.Mohamed Musthafa, Vice-Principal, Al-Ameen Engineering College, Erode, elaborated on the multifaceted role of AI in reshaping teaching-learning processes. He further discussed the integration of AI in research and curriculum design, stressing its potential to personalize learning experiences, support faculty in data-driven decision making and improve student engagement. At the same time, he drew attention to the ethical challenges and concerns, including issues of data privacy, plagiarism and the need for responsible AI adoption in academia. Earlier, Dr. N. Johnson, Head of the Department, welcomed the participants and Mr. M. Hari Baskar proposed a vote of thanks.

Invited Guest Lecture on Overcoming Learning Disabilities among Higher Education Students



The Department organized an Invited Guest Lecture entitled “Overcoming Learning Disabilities among Higher Education Students” on 01-08-2025. The resource person for the session was Mrs.J.Rasida Begum, Lecturer, DIET, Perundurai, who shared her expertise on addressing learning challenges faced by students in higher education. The programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr.N.Johnson who emphasized the importance of understanding and supporting students with diverse learning needs. Mrs.Rasida Begum, in her lecture, highlighted the various types of learning disabilities, their symptoms and their

impact on academic performance. She elaborated on practical strategies and pedagogical interventions that teachers and institutions can adopt to create an inclusive and supportive learning environment. The session also shed light on the role of educators, peers and parents in helping students overcome barriers, build confidence and achieve academic success. She also stressed that empathy, patience and innovative teaching methods play a crucial role in empowering such learners. The programme concluded with vote of thanks proposed by Mr. M. Hari Baskar.

Invited Guest Lecture on Importance of Vedic Mathematics Today

The Department organized an Invited Guest Lecture on the “Importance of Vedic Mathematics Today” on 01-08-2025. The session was handled by Mrs.T.Geetha, Lecturer, DIET, Coimbatore. The lecture highlighted how Vedic Mathematics nurtures logical thinking, creativity and confidence, reducing the fear of Mathematics among learners. The session was highly interactive, with participants engaging in demonstrations of mathematical shortcuts and enjoying the practical applications of the techniques.

World Photography Day Celebrated



The Department celebrated World Photography Day on 19-08-2025 with great enthusiasm, highlighting the power of photography as a medium of creativity, communication and storytelling. Dr. N. Johnson welcomed the gathering. The presidential address was delivered by Prof.G.Ravi, Vice-Chancellor. The keynote address was delivered by Dr.Gabor Soos, Secretary-

General, Hungarian National Commission for UNESCO, who highlighted photography's role in cultural preservation and knowledge sharing. A special address was given by Dr.Swarnavel Eswaran Pillai, Professor, School of Journalism, Michigan State University, USA, who highlighted photography's evolving role in the digital era. The event also featured competitions such as Movie Review, Radio Advertisement Making and Spot Photography, where students showcased their creativity and technical skills. Winners were honored with prizes, which added to the excitement and motivation of the participants. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr.M.Hari Baskar.

Planting of Saplings



The Department in collaboration with NSS Unit AU89, organized a Planting of Saplings Programme on 26th Aug 2025 as part of its commitment to promoting environmental sustainability and green initiatives. Prof.G.Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, planted a red sandalwood sapling, symbolizing the importance of preserving rare and valuable species. Dr.N.Natarajan, NSS Co-ordinator, Dr.N.Johnson, NSS Programme Officer, NSS Unit AU89, also planted saplings and encouraged students to carry forward the mission of creating a greener campus. 100 saplings were planted at the function.

Students participate in Workshop on Youth against Digital Media Addiction Held at Chennai

The University of Madras, Chennai, organized a three-day Workshop on “Youth

Against Digital Media Addiction” from 01-09-2025 to 03-09-2025, focusing on the growing menace of excessive digital media usage among youth and its impact on mental health, academics and social life. The workshop brought together students from various universities to deliberate on strategies to overcome media dependency and promote healthy digital habits. From the Department five students namely Ms.C.Arthi, Ms.O.Indhu Malini, Ms.N.Nivetha, Ms.D.Pavithra and Ms.P.Vijayalakshmi attended the workshop at Chennai.



Students Participate in Adventure Camp at Coonoor



The NSS Cell of Alagappa University organized a University Level Adventure Camp from 14-09-2025 to 18-09-2025 at the State Training Centre, Bharat Scouts and Guides, Coonoor. The camp aimed to instill courage, discipline, leadership and team spirit among the NSS volunteers through a series of adventurous and skill-based activities. From the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, four students namely Ms.C.Arthi, Mr.V.S.Sabari, Mr.L.Nethaji and Mr.R.Yasif Arafath actively took part in the camp. Over the course of five days, the participants underwent intensive training in trekking, rock climbing, rappelling, tent pitching, first-aid drills

and survival skills in challenging terrains. They were also given orientation on disaster preparedness, environmental protection and the values of social responsibility.

Awareness Programme on Sexual Harassment

The Department organized an Awareness Programme about Sexual Harassment on 26-09-2025 with the objective of sensitizing students about the importance of ensuring safety, dignity and respect within academic and social spaces. The programme began with a welcome address by Dr.N.Johnson. The session featured insightful talks by the resource persons, Dr.N.K.Bhuvanewari and Mrs.A.Sumithira, Teaching Assistants from the Department of Politics and Public Administration. They elaborated on the legal frameworks, preventive measures and institutional mechanisms available to address cases of sexual harassment. The speakers also highlighted the role of creating awareness, self-confidence and peer support in preventing such issues. Students were encouraged to voice concerns without hesitation and seek redressal through appropriate channels. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Mr.M.Hari Baskar.

Workshop on Podcast Creation and Gimbal Handling Organized



The Department organized a Workshop on “Podcast Creation and Gimbal Handling” on 30-09-2025 to enhance students' practical skills in digital media production and visual storytelling. The event brought together experts from academia and the media industry to provide hands-on learning experience. The programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr.N.Johnson who

highlighted the growing relevance of digital media tools in modern communication. The presidential address was delivered by Prof.G.Ravi, Vice-Chancellor. The felicitation address was given by Dr.S.Rajaram, Dean, Faculty of Arts. The special sessions featured two expert speakers. Dr.R.D.Sivakumar, from the Post Graduate Department of Computer Applications, Mepco Schlenk Engineering College, Sivakasi, conducted a session on “Mastering Audio for Creating Impactful Podcasts,” and Mr.PR.Thenappan Alagu, Creative Head, Astri Photography, Pudukottai, conducted a session on “Flow Motion: Mastering the Art of Gimbal Handling.” Both sessions were highly engaging and provided practical insights to students. Dr.A.Senthilrajan, Registrar, gave away the certificates to the participants and lauded the department's efforts. Mr.M.Hari Baskar, Teaching Assistant, proposed a vote of thanks.

DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND FILM STUDIES

Nuvvai – A Stage Play Enacted



The Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nadaga Mandram and Department of Theatre and Film Studies jointly organized a stage performance showcasing the inner life of the Sangam Tamils, titled “Nuvvai (Vaalum Vaalviyalum)” on 18th Sept, 2025. The play depicted the bravery, love, generosity, governance, hospitality, life connected with nature, worship, and traditional cultural practices of the Sangam Tamil people. The event was presided over by Prof. C. Sekar, Member of the Syndicate. Mr.

M.R.M. Balasubramaniam, a member of the Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nadaga Mandram, took the lead role. The event was coordinated by the Head of the Department Prof. M. Sutha.

Play on Vallalar's Life Staged



The Vallalar Natakam, depicting the life history of Vallalar was jointly presented by the Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nadaga Mandram and the students of the Department of Theatre and Film Studies. It was enacted on 31.08.2025 at the Veeru Kaviyarasar Mudiyyarasanar Auditorium. This drama was presented by the Kalaimamani M.R. Muthusami Memorial Drama Association. Prof. S. Rajaram, Syndicate Member, Karaikudi MLA Mr. S. Mangudi, and Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nadaga Mandram, General Council and Executive Committee Member Mr. M. R. M. Balasubramaniam delivered felicitations. Prof. M. Sutha, Head of the Department, coordinated the programme.

Weekly Programme - Action Camera

Programme on Macro Photography Organized

The Department of Theatre and Film Studies Student Council organized a weekly programme on Macro Photography, highlighting the intricate details and beauty of close-up photography techniques. The event was held on 20.08.2025. The programme commenced with a welcome address by VaddeVenkantiRava, II. M.A. setting the tone for an engaging and insightful session. The Head of the Department Dr. M. Sutha delivered the presidential address, underlining the importance of visual storytelling and the power of presenting minute details in photography. The core

of the event focused on macro photography techniques, the usage of lenses, light, and focus in capturing high-detail images. Students showcased their works and demonstrated how creativity and technical skills merge in close-up shots. Their presentations were both visually captivating and intellectually stimulating, sparking curiosity and appreciation among the audience. M. Vasantha Kumar delivered the vote of thanks. The programme was coordinated by Mr. M. Prasath with Prof. Dr. M. Sutha serving as the Convenor.

Nuances of Stage Performance Exhibited through “Nighal Kalai” Programme

The Student Council of the Department organized a weekly programme titled “Nigazh Kalai”, focusing on various aspects of stage performance including acting, movement, voice modulation, and expression. The event, held on 03.09.2025, drew a large and enthusiastic audience of students and faculty members. In his welcome address, Mr. S. Sunder Raj set a vibrant tone for the event. Mr. M. Prasath delivered the presidential address, emphasizing the significance of performing arts in enhancing creativity, self-expression, and emotional intelligence. The highlight of the event was the live performances and practical demonstrations, where students exhibited their talents in acting, singing, dance, mime, and storytelling. Each performance reflected the dedication, practice, and innovation of the participants. The students' presentations were engaging, thought-provoking, and reflective of traditional and contemporary art forms, sparking an inspiring conversation among the audience. Mr. M. Prakash delivered the vote of thanks. The event was coordinated by Mr. M. Prasath, with Prof. Dr. M. Sutha serving as the Convenor.

Programme titled “Frame by Frame” Organized

The Student Council of the Department organized a weekly programme titled “Frame by Frame” Mobile Videography, focusing on smartphone-based filmmaking and visual storytelling. The event, held on 10.09.2025,

attracted a large number of students and faculty members. The programme commenced with a welcome address by VaddeVenkantiRava. Mr. S. Mano, Teaching Assistant, delivered the presidential address, highlighting the significance of mobile videography in the evolving digital world and encouraged students to embrace modern technology for creative expression. The highlight of the event was the practical demonstration of mobile videography techniques and creative short films made by students using mobile phones. These presentations were informative, engaging, and inspiring, sparking interest and discussion among the audience about low-budget filmmaking and content creation. Ms. S. Sneka delivered the vote of thanks. The programme was coordinated by Mr. M. Prasath, with the guidance of Prof. M. Sutha, who served as the Convenor.

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

International Workshop on Sustainable Financial Modelling Using Python Programming Conducted

The School of Mathematics organized an International Workshop on Sustainable Financial Modelling Using Python Programming (IWSFMPP-2025) in hybrid mode on 21st Aug, 2025. Dr. N. Anbazhagan, Professor and Head, Department of Mathematics welcomed the participants. The presidential address was delivered by Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, who shared his perceptive thoughts on the evolving landscape of academia and research.



The invited speaker, Prof. C. Annamalai, Professor at Skyline Business School, UAE, spoke on AI and Machine Learning Applications in financial analytics and modelling. The workshop focused on modern financial modelling techniques using Python Programming, emphasizing sustainable and data-driven analytical approaches in financial decision-making. The workshop provided exposure to practical financial modelling techniques and encouraged the integration of Python tools in academic research and financial studies.

Faculty Honoured

Dr. S. Amutha, Associate Professor, Ramanujan Centre for Higher Mathematics, Alagappa University, was given the Excellence in Teaching Award – 2025 by the Wisdom Path Foundation in recognition of her dedication to teaching and academic excellence on 5th Sept 2025.

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

International Conference on Recent Trends in Computer Science (RTCS 2025)



The Department of Computer Science organized the International Conference on Recent Trends in Computer Science (RTCS 2025) on April 3rd and 4th, 2025. Designed to promote academic discourse and collaboration, the hybrid-format conference brought together over 100 participants, including academicians, industry professionals, research scholars, and students from across the globe. A total of 78 research papers were presented, reflecting a broad spectrum of contemporary research areas in Computer Science.

The inaugural session commenced with a welcome address by Dr. A. Padmapriya, Professor and Head, Department of Computer Science. This was followed by a thematic introduction by Dr. S. Santhoshkumar, Assistant Professor, setting the context for the two-day event. Dr. M. Jothi Basu, Controller of Examinations, inaugurated the conference, highlighting the university's focus on fostering research and innovation.

Keynote addresses were delivered by Shri Benjamin Sheby Meshach, Director at the Offshore Development Center, Marketing Systems Group, Pennsylvania, and Mr. R. Sivaganeshkumar, Senior SQA Engineer, Saksoft Limited, Chennai. The speakers provided valuable perspectives on global technology trends and practical challenges in software development. The session also included a felicitation address by Dr. J. Jeyakanthan, Member of Syndicate. Dr. T. Meyyappan, Senior Professor, Department of Computer Science, proposed a vote of thanks.

The technical sessions on Day 1 featured topics such as “Quantum Computing”, led by Mr. S. Rahamathulla from Unisys Corporation, Bangalore and “Software Architecture and Microservices”, presented by Mr. Rengaraj, Business Director, TechSwing Solutions, Thanjavur. Parallel paper presentation sessions were conducted in the afternoon, covering diverse themes such as Artificial Intelligence, Big Data, Internet of Things, Cloud Computing, and Cybersecurity.

Day 2 continued with sessions on Full-stack Development by Dr. A. Thasil Mohamed, Technical Architect at Verizon Communications Inc., Texas, USA and System Performance Optimization through Caching Strategies, led by Mr. R. Muthukumar, Technical Architect at Optum (EMIS), UK Unit – Chennai. The afternoon session featured another series of paper presentations, where scholars as well as students discussed recent advancements in Machine Learning, Data Science, and Software Engineering.

The valedictory function brought the conference to a meaningful close. Dr. T. Meyyappan delivered the welcome address and it was followed by a comprehensive Conference Report from Dr. A.

Padmapriya. The valedictory address was presented by Prof. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, Alagappa University.

The concluding keynote address was delivered by Mr. Ithaya Vino Joseph Raj, Principal Architect at Tiger Analytics, India, emphasizing innovation in data-driven enterprises. A special address was given by Mr. R. Muthukumar, Technical Architect at Optum, (EMIS), UK Unit – Chennai, who shared insights on aligning academic learning with industry expectations. A vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. S. Santhoshkumar, Organizing Secretary.

Two-Day Expert Lecture Series (DCS ELS #5) on “AI Tools in Education and Research”



The Department and Computer Science Alumni Association (ALUCSAA) jointly organized the Two-Day Expert Lecture Series (DCS ELS #5) on “AI Tools in Education and Research” on 7th and 8th August 2025. The programme aimed to explore the transformative role of Artificial Intelligence in enhancing educational practices and driving research innovation.

At the inaugural function. Prof. A. Padmapriya, Secretary, ALUCSAA, delivered the welcome address. She highlighted the rapid growth of AI technologies and their inevitable role in future education systems. She emphasized that AI-assisted grading systems, intelligent tutoring tools, and research data analysis platforms are becoming essential in academia.

The function was presided over by Prof. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, Alagappa University. In his address, he spoke about the University's vision of integrating AI into academic processes to enhance both teaching and research. He discussed the ethical implications of AI in education and stressed the need for

capacity building among faculty and researchers to use AI tools responsibly.

Prof. S. Rajaram, Member of Syndicate and President – Alagu Alumni Association (AAA), explained how AI could bridge learning gaps, provide adaptive learning pathways for students, and support faculty in developing dynamic course content.

The keynote address was delivered by Prof. Arun Kumar Sangaiah, International Graduate Institute of AI, National Yunlin University of Science and Technology, Taiwan, who shared valuable insights into emerging AI trends and their application in education and research. He provided an in-depth analysis of how AI is transforming research methodologies globally. He demonstrated several AI-powered research tools such as Connected Papers (for mapping research trends), Iris.ai (for literature analysis), Elicit.org (for AI-assisted systematic reviews), and Semantic Scholar (for summarizing research papers). He also showed real-time examples of using AI in educational simulations, intelligent question paper generation, and automated grading. His session included interactive demonstrations that engaged the participants and gave them practical exposure to using these tools.

The inaugural session concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Prof. T. Meyyappan, President, ALUCSAA.

Over the two days, the expert lecture series provided participants with in-depth knowledge of AI methodologies, tools, and their real-world applications in the academic and research domains. Eminent scholar Prof. Arun Kumar Sangaiah engaged the audience with interactive discussions, demonstrations, and case studies, enabling participants to understand the potential of AI in improving learning outcomes and research efficiency.

The valedictory function was conducted on 8th Aug 2025. Prof. A. Padmapriya delivered the welcome address. The session was presided over by Dr. M. Jothi Basu, Controller of Examinations.

Prof. K. Alamelu, Director, IQAC, felicitated the gathering. She discussed how AI tools can enhance institutional quality by streamlining accreditation

processes, analyzing academic performance data, and supporting outcome-based education.

Dr. K.C. Chandrasekar, Treasurer, ALUCSAA, presented the Annual Report summarizing the key outcomes of the two-day lecture series. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. S. Santhoshkumar, Vice-President, ALUCSAA.

Showcasing Talents

CYBERFEST2K25–Organized



The Department and the CyberForensics Hackathon Club and ALUCSSA jointly organized the CYBERFEST2K25 on 11th and 12th Sept. 2025. The event aimed to bring together brilliant minds to compete, collaborate, and showcase their talents through a series of exciting technical and nontechnical events. At the inaugural function, Miss A. Jenisha, Student of Cyber Forensics & President of CyberFest2k25, delivered the welcome address. The function was inaugurated by Dr. M. Jothi Basu, Controller of Examination. Prof. T. Meyyappan highlighted the department's vision to integrate academic rigor with real-world skill-building. Dr.S.Santhoshkumar, Coordinator of Cyber Forensics, felicitated the gathering. The inaugural session concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Ms. S. Pradeepa, Vice-President of Cyber Fest 2K25.

Technical events and non-technical events were conducted on 11th and 12th September respectively.

The Valedictory Function of Cyber Fest 2K25 was held on 12th Sept evening. The event marked the conclusion of a series of stimulating competitions, workshops, and exhibitions that celebrated technological innovation, cyber awareness, and student talent. Ms. K. Sorna Laxmi, Joint Secretary of the organizing committee, welcomed participants. This was followed by felicitation from Prof. K. Alamelu, Director, IQAC, in which she emphasized the role of

such festivals in enhancing the cocurricular profile of students. The highlight of the function was the speech delivered by Dr. S. Santhoshkumar on the theme “Cyber Intelligence for the Future: Challenges and Opportunities”. His insightful talk touched upon emerging threats in cyberspace, the significance of AI and machine learning in combating cybercrime, and the importance of continuous learning in the rapidly evolving tech landscape. Ms. N. Revathi, Treasurer of the organizing committee presented a detailed financial summary of the event. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Ms. S. Divyadharshini, EC Member of the organizing committee.

One-day Expert Lecture Series (DCS ELS #6) on “Blockchain Technology”

The Department organized the Expert Lecture Series (DCS ELS #6) on “Blockchain Technology” on 26th Sept. 2025. The programme aimed to provide students and researchers with insights into the emerging technology of blockchain and its transformative role across industries. The inaugural session commenced with a welcome address delivered by Dr. P. Subhasri, Teaching Assistant. In her presidential address, Prof. A. Padmapriya pointed out that blockchain is not confined to cryptocurrencies alone but has wide applications in finance, supply chain, e-governance, and healthcare. She encouraged the participants to leverage such expert lectures to explore blockchain as a career and research domain. Dr. S. Santhoshkumar felicitated the gathering.

The resource persons for the lecture were: Mr. G. Agilan, Managing Director, Kairaa Blockchain Academy, who gave an industrial perspective on blockchain adoption and its potential to transform digital ecosystems. He explained the challenges of blockchain implementation and how enterprises are addressing scalability and security issues.

Ms. M. Sneka, Blockchain Developer, IIT Kanpur, and Managing Director, KBA, conducted a technical session covering blockchain architecture, consensus mechanisms such as Proof of Work and Proof of Stake, and real-time applications of smart contracts. She also discussed career prospects and research opportunities in blockchain technology. The

sessions were highly interactive, with participants engaging in Q&A discussions. The event concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. S. Suganya, Teaching Assistant.

Expert Lecture Series (DCS ELS #7) on Next Generation IT Industry & Job Scenario Using UI/UX Figma

The Department organized “Expert Lecture Series (DCS ELS #7) on Next Generation IT Industry & Job Scenario Using UI/UX Figma”. The programme aimed to enhance students' knowledge and exposure to the Next Generation IT Industry and Job Scenario Using UI/UX Figma, providing insights into modern design technologies and industry expectations. Dr. S. Clement Virgeniya welcomed the gathering. Prof. A. Padmapriya presided over the function and shared her thoughts on the importance of such expert lectures in bridging the gap between academia and industry. Prof. T. Meyyappan and Dr. S. Santhoshkumar, spoke on the occasion.

The keynote lecture was delivered by Mr. S.M. Palaniappan, Career Guidance Manager at Acrosys Technologies, Karaikudi, and Mr. S. Shakkil Rahman, Junior Software Trainee at AKIMS Technologies and Software Trainer at Acrosys Technologies. They spoke on “Next Generation IT Industry & Job Scenario Using UI/UX Figma”, highlighting emerging career trends, design principles, and industry-relevant skills for students aspiring to work in the IT field.

The session concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. S. Arunpandian, Teaching Assistant.

DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY **Special Lectures by Eminent Scientists**



Dr. Elangovan Vellaichamy Professor, Department of Biochemistry, University of Madras, delivered an Invited Talk on the title “Natriuretic Peptide Receptor- A: A Potential Drug

Target for Cardiac Hypertrophy and Heart Failure” to the Research Scholars and PG students of the Department of Biotechnology on 01st August, 2025.

Dr. Eswar Shankar Assistant Research Professor at The Ohio State University and member of OSUCCC delivered an Invited Talk on the “Entrepreneurship Opportunities for Biotechnology Students” at the Department of Biotechnology on 18th September, 2025. Dr. Krishnan Venkateswaran, Former Chief Principal Scientist, ITC-LSTC, Bengaluru delivered an Invited Talk on “Product Development for Entrepreneurs- Interactive Engagement” at the Department on 18th September, 2025.



DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY **Expert Lecture On “Innovation and Start-up Ecosystem”**

The Department of Microbiology with Alagappa Institute of Skill Development-Institution's Innovation Council (AISD-IIC), Office of Industry and Consultancy, University Business Collaboration Centre (UBCC), Alagappa University, arranged a one-day expert lecture programme on 22.08.2025. Mr.G.Simiyon, Assistant Director and Head of Office of MSME-Development & Facilitation Office, Tirunelveli, Ministry of MSME, spoke about various schemes offered by MSME, for students, research scholars and budding entrepreneurs.

He motivated students to participate in MSME activities and submit a proposal that addresses societal issues, particularly the economic challenges faced by the economically weaker sections of the society of the region.

He also explained the guidelines for Startup India, the Hackathon, and the MSME scheme. He motivated innovators to apply through this scheme, encouraging them to develop small prototypes or devices. Further he asked the students and scholars to identify the problems affecting the local population and address the current issues by inventing new techniques.



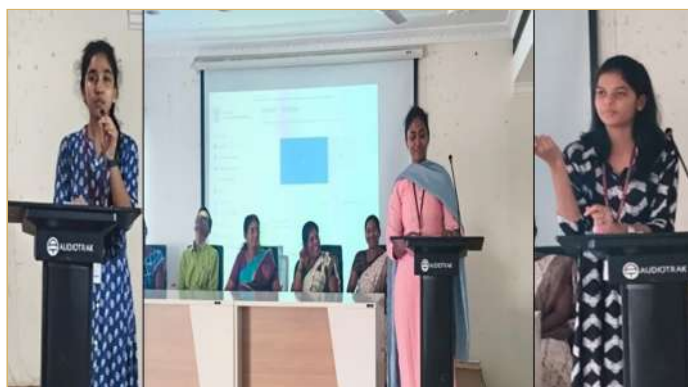
At the beginning of this programme, Prof. A. Arun, Head of the Department of Microbiology, welcomed the gathering; and Dr. T. Kavitha, Assistant Professor, proposed the vote of thanks at the end of the event.

Culture Carnival

International Microorganism Day Celebrated

The students of the Department of Microbiology celebrated International Microorganism Day with a vibrant event titled "Culture Carnival." The programme combined scientific learning with creativity and fun, highlighting the importance of microorganisms in health, environment, and space research.

Mr. P. Arikaran (I M.Sc.) delivered the welcome address, followed by motivational speeches from Dr. T. Kavitha and Mrs. Suba, who



spoke about the relevance of microbiology in today's world.

A series of student presentations such as "Introduction to International Microorganism Day", "Microorganisms as Biosolutions", "Biofertilizers and Their Applications" and "Space Microbiology" were made by Ms. Kaviya, Ms. Hari Priya, Ms. Sugitha & Ms. Sowmiya and Ms. Yogeswari.

In an interactive game titled "Scientific Innovation", participants identified the iconic innovations and explored the fascinating world of microbiology. "Rapid Fire", a high – energy quiz programme, "Memory Rise", a memory-based game and "Connection", a puzzle-style competition were conducted. A drama was enacted by the first-year students and a lively debate was also conducted in which students presented balanced arguments and critical insights.

The Culture Carnival successfully blended science and culture. It provided students with opportunities to demonstrate scientific creativity, sharpen communication skills, and deepen their understanding of the role of microorganisms in shaping the future. The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Radha.

DEPARTMENT OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE

Fostering Innovation in Biomedicine: 2nd International Symposium on "Advances in Laboratory Techniques for Biomedical Applications"



The Department of Biomedical Science conducted the 2nd International Symposium on "Advances in Laboratory Techniques for Biomedical Applications". The symposium

attracted over 325 participants from across the nation. It was inaugurated by Dr. K. Langeswaran, Organizing Secretary. The thematic address was delivered by Dr. Deepti Parashar, Scientist F, ICMR-NIV, Pune, who emphasized the critical role of modern laboratory techniques in advancing biomedical research.

The symposium featured six technical sessions led by leading scientists from India and abroad. Dr. C. Kannan (IIRR, Hyderabad) discussed microbial metabolites and their impact on human health; Dr. Deepti Parashar presented antiviral strategies against dengue and chikungunya; Dr. Saravanan Matheshwaran (IIT Kanpur) explored chromatin remodelling complexes in melanin biosynthesis and virulence; Dr. Maitreyi Shivakumar (De Montfort University, UK) highlighted the antiviral potential of plant-derived compounds; Dr. B. Anandan (University of Madras) spoke on using zebrafish models and next-gen sequencing to study diabetic nephropathy; and Dr. Nithyamol K.V. (Amway) shared insights on translating academic research into industrial innovation. The symposium served as a dynamic platform for academic exchange and collaboration, reaffirming the University's dedication to excellence in biomedical science.

2nd National Seminar on Cancer Prevention and Management



In observance of World Cancer Day, the Department of Biomedical Science, organized the 2nd National Seminar on “Cancer Prevention and Management”. The event brought together experts, researchers, and students to discuss advancements in cancer care. The inaugural session featured speeches by Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, and

Prof. C. Sekar, Syndicate Member. They emphasized creating awareness and intensive research in oncology. The thematic address was given by Dr. V. Kamatchi Chandran, renowned Laparoscopic and Laser surgeon. He highlighted the role of minimally invasive surgeries in improving treatment outcomes.

The symposium featured six technical sessions led by experts from national and international institutions. The topics discussed ranged from microbial metabolites and antiviral drug discovery to chromatin remodelling, natural antivirals, zebrafish-based genetic research, and translational science. Dr. K. Langeswaran, Organizing Secretary, coordinated the event. It fostered meaningful dialogue and collaborative opportunities, reinforcing commitment of the University for cutting-edge biomedical research and interdisciplinary learning. The plenary sessions included impactful talks by Dr. V. Kamatchi Chandran and Dr. Sabitha Ramanathan, Head of Molecular Oncology at Cancer Institute (WIA), Chennai, who elaborated on cancer causes, genetic risks, and prevention strategies. At the valedictory function, Prof. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, and Prof. S. Rajaram, Syndicate Member, stressed the importance of continued research and collaborative efforts.

DEPARTMENT OF NUTRITION AND DIETETICS

Basic Food Safety Training Programme Organized

The Department of Nutrition and Dietetics, Alagappa University, organized Food Safety Training and Certificate (FoSTac) Training Programme on 06.08.25. Dr. P. Rameshthangam, Professor & Head i/c, Department of Nutrition and Dietetics, welcomed the gathering and pointed out the importance of FoSTac training. Ms. M. Suganya, Sr. Food Safety Executive, Parikshan FSS (P) Ltd., Chennai, conducted a session on “Basic Food Safety & Retail Distribution”; and she spoke about the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India and its rules and regulations. She also dwelt

on guidelines to start a food industry, new business and gave details regarding internship training and job opportunities to the students. Mrs.R.Ramya, Adjunct Faculty, proposed a vote of thanks.

National Nutritional Month Celebrations - 2025

National Seminar on “Health Awareness on Balanced Diet and Nutrition” Organized



The Department organized a National Seminar on “Health Awareness on Balanced Diet and Nutrition” on 01.09.2025 as part of the observance of National Nutritional Month 2025. It also arranged an exhibition on 1st Sept 2025.

Students of the Department participated in the exhibition by preparing and displaying various nutritional food products and items such as Immuni Tea, Prickly Chip, Diabetes Biscuits, Protein Pops, Heliora – Ulcer Cure, Badham Delight – Milkshake, Betel Bites, and Tangelo Twist.

Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Ravi, Dr. S. Anandakumar, Associate Professor from NIFTEM-T, Dr. G. Shadhana (Assistant Surgeon) visited the exhibition and appreciated the students for showing their talents in the field. The exhibition highlighted emerging trends in food technology, sustainable practices, and health-conscious alternatives. It provided students with a valuable



opportunity to gain hands-on experience in product development, marketing, customer interaction, and helped to nurture their entrepreneurial spirit.

Nutritional Awareness Programme at Railway Station Anganwadi Centre



The Department organised a Nutritional Awareness Programme at Railway Station Anganwadi Centre, Sakkottai block, Karaikudi on 24.09.2025. The programme aimed to spread awareness among mothers and care-givers about the importance of proper food practices and healthy lifestyle choices for children's proper growth and development. G.Manjula, Anganwadi Supervisor, and K.Radhika, Anganwadi Worker, inaugurated the function.

Dr.P.Rameshthangam highlighted the purpose of Anganwadi visit and also explained the importance of nutritious food products meant for different age groups. Students endeavoured to create awareness on promoting health through nutritional diets. They used charts, models and conducted games, and a drama, covering topics such as food groups and hygiene to specific nutritional deficiencies and gut health. Prepared snacks such as Millet choco balls, ragi laddoo and green gram burfi were distributed to all children and mothers. The importance of choosing homemade, safe, and nutrient-dense foods instead of packaged junk foods was explained in detail. Mothers disclosed the challenges they faced and received practical solutions for preparing healthy snacks at home. Ikkins Joshphini Rani, Anganwadi Worker gave an insight into home gardening, highlighting the importance of water spinach and Mayan tree spinach (Mexican Spinach). Mrs.R.Ramya, Teaching Assistant, proposed a vote of thanks.

FACULTY OF EDUCATION **ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF** **EDUCATION**

One-Day Workshop on 'Preparation of Teaching-Learning Materials (TLMs)' Conducted

A one-day Workshop on 'Preparation of Teaching-Learning Materials (TLMs)' was organized on 8th July 2025 at the AUCE. The workshop aimed to help student-teachers learn how to design and use low-cost, innovative TLMs to make classroom teaching more effective and engaging. The programme began with the welcome address by Dr. J.E. Merlin Sasikala, Principal i/c, AUCE.

The sessions were conducted by the resource person, Mr. P. Sivasankar from Agastya International Foundation. In the morning session, student-teachers participated in hands-on training to prepare teaching materials. The afternoon session included interactive science and mathematics-based tasks that promoted creative thinking and problem-solving. The instructor also introduced Infosys Springboard, a free online learning platform, and explained its registration process and available resources for students and teachers.

The workshop concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. A. Pio Albina, Organising Secretary of the workshop.

Two - Day Workshop on "SAY IT RIGHT"



Language is not just a medium - it's a bridge to ideas, expression and connection. In order to help students to master the nuances of English

grammar, a two-day immersive Workshop titled 'SAY IT RIGHT' was organized by the English Literary Club, on 28th & 29th July, 2025 at AUCE. The resource person was Mr. S. Somasundaram, Lead Volunteer (Education), Micro Credit Foundation of India, Chennai.

Dr. J.E. Merlin Sasikala welcomed the participants reminding everyone of the timeless importance of language mastery for both academic and real-world success. Ms.D.Sharmila Sri, II year B.Ed student introduced the resource person. The sessions were filled with lively discussions, real-time grammar games, collaborative exercises, and open dialogues between the students and the resource person. Rather than focusing on rote memorization, the approach centred on understanding grammar in context - making it practical, relatable and interesting. The workshop was organized by Dr.SP.Shanthi, Asst.Prof of English, AUCE. The vote of thanks was proposed by P.Bavadharani, President of English Literary Club, AUCE.

Organizing Innovation and Entrepreneurship Outreach Programmes by involving ATLs/SICs in Schools



On 29th August 2025, the Alagappa Institute of Skill Development (AISD), Institution's Innovation Council (ALU-IIC), and Alagappa University College of Education jointly organized a One-Day Workshop on "Organizing Innovation and Entrepreneurship Outreach Programmes by involving ATLs/SICs in Schools" at AUCE. Dr. JE. Merlin Sasikala, Principal (i/c), AUCE, welcomed the gathering. Prof. G. Kalaiyaran, Dean, Faculty of Education, delivered the

Felicitation Address and highlighted the role of educators in guiding young innovators. Dr. T. Ramesh, Headmaster, Alagappa Model Hr. Sec. School, also shared valuable insights on bridging school and university initiatives. The keynote address was delivered by Prof. V. Dharuman, Director (i/c), AISD & ALU-IIC, who stressed the significance of skill development, creativity, and problem-solving mindset in schools to nurture future entrepreneurs.

The special addresses were delivered by Er. S. Kishore and Er. S. Sathish, Robotic Engineers from ATAL Tinkering Labs (ATLs). They emphasized the crucial role of ATLs and School Innovation Councils (SICs) in nurturing creativity, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills among school students. They highlighted that ATLs provide a hands-on learning environment where students can work with tools, electronic kits, sensors, 3D printers, and robotics equipment to design innovative solutions for real-life problems. By encouraging “learning by doing”, these labs foster scientific curiosity, teamwork, and entrepreneurial mindsets at an early stage. The speakers also pointed out that SICs act as platforms within schools to guide innovation activities, connect students with mentors, and organize competitions, hackathons, and community-based projects. Together, ATLs and SICs create a strong foundation for entrepreneurship by linking classroom knowledge with practical applications. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. G. Sivakumar, Organising Secretary.

Programme on Creating “Awareness on Waste Management” Conducted



AUCE and Rotary Club of Karaikudi Wonders, RID 3212, jointly conducted a programme on “Awareness on Waste Management” on 12.09.2025 in the Seminar Hall of AUCE. Dr. J.E. Merlin Sasikala, Principal i/c, AUCE, welcomed the gathering, The President, Rotary Club of Karaikudi Wonders, Er. Palaniappan, inaugurated the programme. Dr. SP. Shanthi, Assistant Professor of English, delivered a speech on Waste Management. The speech covered key aspects of solid and hazardous waste management, focusing on minimizing health risks and environmental contamination. Ms. D. Sharmila Sri proposed a vote of thanks.

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH SCIENCE

Guru Purnima Celebrated

The Department of Physical Education and Health Science celebrated Guru Purnima on 10th July 2025 to honour teachers and acknowledge their invaluable contribution to education and society. Dr. K. Usha Rani, Professor & Head, delivered the welcome address, highlighting the significance of Guru Purnima as a day dedicated to expressing gratitude to gurus who impart knowledge and wisdom to their wards.

Dr. Sundar, Principal, AUCPE, in his inspiring speech, emphasized the value of the guru-shishya (teacher – student) tradition and stated that true education begins with discipline, dedication, and respect for teachers.

Dr. V.A. Manickam, Dr. D. Maniazhagu, Dr. Kalaiselvi, and Mr. S. Sundar (Boxing Coach, AUCPE) spoke on the occasion. They shared their thoughts on the role of teachers as mentors who shape the character of students.

Ms. S. Priyadharshini, Research Scholar, spoke on behalf of the student fraternity. She appreciated the dedication and continuous guidance provided by teachers in their academic and personal development. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. D. Maniazhagu.

123rd Birth Anniversary of “Karma Veerar Kamarajar” Observed as Educational Development Day

The Department organized the 123rd Birth Anniversary of “Karma Veerar Kamarajar” on 24th Sept. 2025 and the day was observed as Educational Development Day. The programme aimed to honour the remarkable contributions of Kamarajar, who played a pivotal role in the growth of education in Tamil Nadu; and he inspired generations through his simplicity, integrity, and dedication to public service.

Dr. K. Usha Rani delivered the welcome address, highlighting the purpose of celebrating the Educational Development Day and she made a mention of Kamarajar's vision for inclusive education.

Dr. R. Nageshwari, Principal (Rtd.), Seethalakshmi Achi Arts & Science College for Women, Pallathur, was the chief guest who shared insights into the life values of Kamarajar and his commitment to uplifting society through education. She also focused on Kamarajar's leadership as the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu and his revolutionary initiatives such as the Noon Meal Scheme and compulsory education for all children. Kamarajar's simplicity, honesty, and political ethics continue to serve as moral benchmarks for youth and educators, she added. The celebration instilled patriotic values among students and reiterated the importance of education as a tool for empowerment and national development. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. D. Maniazhagu.

World Physiotherapy Day Celebrated

The World Physiotherapy Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm in the department on 9th Sept. 25. The programme was inaugurated by Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor. Dr. Aanandhi, University Medical Officer, gave her guidance and support throughout the event. University staff members and students from various departments, around 130 members, were benefited through the programme. Dr. M. Sundar, Principal, graced the occasion with his presence.

Through Physiotherapy Medical Camp, several health assessments were carried out for the benefit of

participants. It included the following tests : bone mineral density, blood pressure, blood sugar, height and weight measurement, electrocardiogram (ECG). The celebration was highly beneficial, promoting awareness on the crucial role of physiotherapy for improving the quality of life.

DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION SCIENCE

World Autism Awareness Day Observed



The Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Science, Alagappa University, observed World Autism Awareness Day 2025, celebrated its 10th Annual Day, and organized a Parents–Alumni–Students Meet on 3rd April 2025. The day's theme, “Advancing Neurodiversity and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs),” reflected the department's strong commitment to inclusion and empowerment.

Dr. J. Sujathamalini, Professor and Head of the Department, in her welcome address, highlighted the department's decade-long achievements and initiatives in promoting inclusive education and community outreach. Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, presided over the function and appreciated the department's contributions in the field of special education and rehabilitation. Tmt. Asha Ajith, I.A.S., Collector of Sivagangai District, and Mr. K. Balakrishnan, District Differently Abled Welfare Officer (DDAWO), served as Chief Guests and addressed the gathering with inspiring messages on empowerment and inclusivity. The event concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Mr. K. Sheik Ahamed Imthiyas, Teaching Assistant.

Two-day Teacher Training Programme- PRAGYA-Organized



The Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Science, Alagappa University, in collaboration with Vision Empower, Bengaluru, and supported by Cognizant Foundation of India, organized a two-day teacher training programme titled “PRAGYA” on 31st July and 1st August, 2025.

The programme aimed to enhance the professional competencies of teachers working in the field of special education, focusing on assistive technologies and inclusive education practices for learners with visual impairments. The inaugural session commenced with a welcome address by Mrs. Rajeswari P, Regional Manager–South, Vision Empower. The presidential address was delivered by Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor of Alagappa University, who emphasized the University's continuous commitment to empowering educators through innovative and inclusive training initiatives. Dr. J. Sujathamalini offered her valuable insights into the significance of collaborative efforts in strengthening teacher education. Ms. Vidhya Y, Co-Founder of Vision Empower, delivered the keynote address, highlighting technology-integrated pedagogical approaches that support visually impaired learners. Dr. K. Gunasekaran, Former Syndicate Member, spoke at the event. The session concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Yuvaraj P, Assistive Technologies Specialist, Vision Empower. The two-day programme featured interactive sessions, hands-on demonstrations, and experience-sharing on accessible digital learning tools and inclusive teaching strategies. Participants had the opportunity to explore new perspectives in teaching students with special needs.

International Day of Sign Languages

The Department observed the International Day of Sign Languages on 23rd Sept 2025. This year's theme was “No Human Rights Without Sign Language Rights.” Ms. S. Pushpa, Research Scholar, and Ms. P. Aruna, Teaching Assistant, served as Resource Persons. They highlighted the vital role of sign languages in guaranteeing human rights, access, inclusion, and dignity for deaf persons. The event reinforced the importance of sign language rights in education, public services, and community life.

ALAGAPPA INSTITUTE OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Awareness Programme on Cyber Security Organized



Alagappa Institute of Skill Development conducted a programme on cyber security awareness on 28.08.2025. Registrar Prof. A. Senthilrajan delivered the presidential address and explained the importance of cyber security awareness in preventing cyber-attacks and protecting oneself from potential threats in the digital world. He shared his experience in developing tools in Alagappa University through the MIS, which protects the University Network Systems from cyber threats. Syndicate Member Dr.V.Palanisamy offered his felicitations. Dr.A Padmapriya, Professor and Head, Department of Computer Science, highlighted the relevance of cyber security in today's digital age and stressed the need for awareness and education on cyber security, encouraging participants to take an active role in protecting themselves and their organization. Mr.

Joseph, Senior Technical Trainer and Cyber Security Innovator, NIIT Foundation, conducted an engaging and informative session on basics of cyber security, types of cyber threats, vulnerabilities and risk management. He discussed types of cyber-attacks such as ransom ware, white hacks, and malware and provided examples from real world attacks. Prof. V. Dharuman, Director i/c, AISD, welcomed the gathering and Mrs. Ilavarasi, Teaching Assistant, proposed a vote of thanks. Nearly 400 students participated in the programme.

Startup Summit Demo Day /Exhibition/Poster Presentation Hosted



The Institution's Innovation Council (ALU-IIC) hosted a Startup Summit Demo Day, Exhibition, and Poster Presentation on August 7, 2025. The event aimed to bring together startups, innovators, and industry experts to showcase innovative ideas and contribute to economic development and job opportunities. The workshop began with a welcome address by Dr. V. Dhrauman, who emphasized the potential of startups to transform industries. Prof. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, inaugurated the event and highlighted the importance of innovation and entrepreneurship in today's fast-paced world; and he asked students to think critically, analyze problems and develop creative solutions. Prof. J. Jeyakanthan, Dean, Faculty of Science, delivered a special address, highlighting the University's commitment in fostering innovation and entrepreneurship. Dr. J. Mathiyarasu, Senior Principal Scientist, Electrodicts & Electrocatalysis Division, CSIR-Central Electrochemical Research Institute, shared his expertise and insights on innovation and

entrepreneurship in the field of electrochemical research. Various startups showcased their innovative products and services through demos, exhibitions, and poster presentations. The event provided a platform for startups to showcase their ideas and solutions, network with industry experts, and gain insights into the latest trends and technologies. The event highlighted the importance of innovation and entrepreneurship in driving economic growth and development. The event concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by PR. Saranya, EIC HUB Co-ordinator.

Entrepreneurship Awareness Programme Organized

The Alagappa Institute of Skill Development organized an Entrepreneurship Awareness Programme on 25th July 2025 to promote entrepreneurial thinking among students and equip them with the required knowledge to consider entrepreneurship as a viable career option. Dr. V. Dharuman, in his welcome address, highlighted the importance of entrepreneurship in today's dynamic economy. He emphasized the role of innovation, self-employment, and skill-based learning in building a sustainable and self-reliant society. Mr. J.R.Nagaraj, Asst. Director, District Industries Centre, Sivagangai, delivered an inspiring speech that covered the fundamentals of entrepreneurship, business ideation, government schemes, startup ecosystems, and funding opportunities available for young entrepreneurs. He shared real-life examples and success stories to encourage students to think beyond conventional job roles and explore innovative paths. The programme focused on Entrepreneurship and Startup Ecosystem, Government Schemes for Budding Entrepreneurs, Business Idea Development and Validation, Role of Innovation and Risk-taking in Business, Institutional Support from EDII-TN and other agencies.

Seminar on Recent Trends in Fashion Designing Hosted

The AISD conducted a Seminar on "Recent Trends in Fashion Designing", highlighting the

dynamic transformation taking place in the fashion industry through technological innovations. The seminar brought together academicians, students, and industry professionals to discuss the emerging trends and sustainable practices shaping modern fashion.

Dr. V. Dharuman welcomed the participants and emphasized the importance of skill-based learning in the field of fashion technology. He highlighted how Alagappa University is fostering innovation and industry-aligned education to empower future professionals.

The special address was presented by Ms. A. Gaayathri, Digital Marketing-Executive, Params Textile, Karaikudi. She elaborated on key trends such as sustainable materials, 3D garment design, smart textiles, wearable technology, and the role of artificial intelligence in fashion forecasting. Her insights shed light on how fashion is evolving from a creative industry into a technology-driven domain, requiring a blend of design thinking and digital fluency. The seminar also explored areas like digital fashion, virtual try-on experiences, eco-friendly dyeing methods, and the growing impact of data analytics in customer personalization.

It provided valuable exposure to cutting-edge developments in fashion technology. It inspired participants to think critically about the future of fashion and the need for continuous innovation and sustainable practices in the industry.

Seminar on Recent Developments in Software Testing Organized

The AISD organized a Seminar on "Recent Developments in Software Testing" to create awareness among students and professionals about the latest advancements in the field of software quality assurance. Dr. V. Dharuman made a reference to the growing significance of software testing in the software development life cycle. He highlighted how the changing technological landscape requires students to gain hands-on skills in automation, AI-based tools, and secure development practices. Mr. R. Nilavazhagan, Software Testing Specialist from WBC Soft Tech,

Karaikudi, in his special address, provided an in-depth overview of the evolving landscape of software testing, focusing on the integration of testing within develop pipelines, the rise of AI and machine learning in test automation, and the importance of performance and security testing in modern applications. He also encouraged participants to stay updated with cloud-based testing platforms and mobile testing frameworks. The programme focused on the awareness creation on the Test Automation using tools like Selenium, Playwright, and Katalon, AI-driven Testing for intelligent test case generation and defect prediction, Shift-Left & Shift-Right Testing for early and real-time defect identification, Codeless Testing Tools for broader accessibility to non-developers, Cloud & Mobile App Testing using platforms like Browser Stack and AWS Device Farm, Performance & Security Testing as critical components in modern software release cycles.

FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT ALAGAPPA INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT

10th Aimers Reunion and Community Development Events



The Alagappa Institute of Management (AIM) witnessed a vibrant homecoming as the 2003-2005 MBA batch (10th Batch) celebrated their 20th Year Reunion on 12th July 2025 at the University. The Reunion Celebration was formally

inaugurated by Dr. S. Chandramohan, Director, AIM. In a heartfelt tribute, the gathering observed a one-minute silence in memory of Dr. G. Jayabal, who was fondly remembered as the Lost Professor. In a meaningful gesture of community development, the 10th Batch-MBA sponsored and installed two three-seater visitor chairs, worth Rs. 25,000 for the AIM premises.

As part of their commitment to support education and community development, they extended educational sponsorships to meritorious students from Model Higher Secondary School and MV Higher Secondary School, Karaikudi. The sponsorships were awarded to the top three rank holders from each school in recognition of their academic excellence.

They also in collaboration with the Global Mission Hospital and Research Centre, Karaikudi, organized a Free Medical Camp for the public on 12th July 2025 at Alagappan Alumni Park.

On 13th July 2025, the alumni visited Dropps Old Age Home, Karaikudi, where they gave a special breakfast and lunch for 30 senior citizens residing there, all aged above 60 and living without family support. In addition to this, the alumni generously contributed essential items worth Rs. 10,000 tailored to the daily needs and comfort of the elderly residents.

International Seminar on 'Bellwether Managers in Industry 5.0'



The department organized an International Seminar on Bellwether Managers in Industry 5.0 on 15.9.2025. Prof. S. Chandramohan, Director, AIM, welcomed the gathering.

Prof. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, in his presidential address, stressed the dire need for smart managers in the current context as India has transformed from an agrarian economy to knowledge economy. He unraveled the sector wise transformations experienced by the Indian economy to the contribution to Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Dr. Abdul Raoof, Associate Professor, Zhejiang Technical Institute of Economics, Hangzhou, China, delivered the keynote address. He said that true leadership is not in simply wielding authority, but it is in vision, guidance, and the ability to motivate people. In addition, he underscored the significance of leader in household, companies, industries, and the nation.

Prof. C. Yogalakshmi, in her felicitation address, signified the crucial role of women in household, industries, and politics. Further, she stressed the need for bellwether managers for India to become USD 5 trillion economy by 2027 and to transform India into a developed nation by 2047. Prof. P. S. Nagarajan, Convener of the International Seminar, proposed the vote of thanks at the inaugural session.

After the inaugural session, the technical session was chaired by Dr. Abdul Raoof. He explained different leadership styles and matched those styles to different organizations belonging to different sectors. He narrated the role and significance of ideal managers in industry 5.0. He threw light on AI and the meticulous management of AI for the effective organization of organizations. His insights gave a valuable perspective on how leaders can shape organizations in the Industry 5.0 scenario.

Cancer Awareness Programme



Alagappa Institute of Management hosted an event on 29th Sept. 2025, to mark the inauguration of its Fitness Club and to raise cancer awareness through a special lecture titled “Cancer - Free Tomorrow.” Dr. M. Ayisha Millath, Professor and Faculty Coordinator of this event, delivered the welcome and thematic address. Dr. R. Aanandhi, Assistant Professor cum Medical Officer, in her lecture provided a comprehensive overview of cancer prevention. She recommended daily physical activity (at least 30 minutes), stress-reduction practices and the necessity of adequate sleep and hydration to stay healthy. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Ms. P. Monisha, Student Coordinator.

Special Lecture on “Financial Management as Highlighted in *Thirukkural*”



A Special Lecture on “Financial Management as Highlighted in *Thirukkural*” was organised by Finclaim Association, AIM, Alagappa University, on 9th Sept. 2025. The programme aimed to connect Classical Tamil Wisdom from the *Thirukkural* with modern principles of financial management and ethical leadership. Dr. S. Sudhamathi delivered the welcome address. The programme was presided over by Prof. S. Chandramohan highlighting the importance of learning financial management principles from *Thirukkural*. The inaugural address was delivered by Prof. S. Rajaram, Syndicate Member. He stressed the value of Tamil classical literature in shaping ethical practices for modern society. Mr. M. Jeyamkondan, President, Valluvar Peravai, delivered the thematic address. He explained how *Thirukkural* provides timeless wisdom on financial discipline, management

values, and ethical living, offering students a deeper understanding of applying classical knowledge in today's world. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. N. Jagadeesh, President of Finclaim, AIM.

The lecture focused on how ethical maxims from the *Thirukkural* map onto modern financial principles. The key takeaways for students included: the importance of disciplined saving and budgeting, ethical decision-making in finance, long term perspective in investment and business planning.

Workshop on Ideation and Establishment of Startup Organized



Workshop on Ideation and Establishment of Startup was organized by AIM in association with Institution's Innovation Council, Alagappa University on 26th August 2025. Dr. G. Ilankumaran, Professor, AIM, welcomed the participants. He highlighted the significance of nurturing creative ideas among students and channelizing them towards entrepreneurial ventures. He has also mentioned about few entrepreneurs who have achieved through creative ideas. Prof. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, presided over the programme. He urged the participants to bring forward innovative and practical ideas that could be shaped into impactful creations; he further assured that Alagappa University would extend complete support and guidance to students in all aspects enabling them to emerge as successful entrepreneurs. Mr. Pagutharivu Muthusamy, CEO & Co-founder, iAgami delivered the special address. He emphasized that the participants must step out of their comfort zones, take risks and utilize

every available opportunity to transform idea into successful startups. He also provided some insights over some of the schemes of the government with respect to entrepreneurship. Dr. S. Sudhamathi delivered the vote of thanks.

DEPARTMENT OF LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT

Workshop on “How to Plan for Start-Up and Legal and Ethical Steps” Organized



A Workshop on “How to Plan for Start-Up and Legal and Ethical Steps” was organised by the Department of Logistics Management, in association with Institution's Innovation Council, Alagappa University on 25.08.2025. Prof. V. Sivakumar, Head, Department of Logistics Management, presided over the event.

Mr. Arumai Ruban Joseph, District Programme Manager, EDII TN, Department of MSME, Sivagangai, delivered the special address. He exhorted the participants to develop a firm and positive attitude and confidence for becoming a successful entrepreneur. He asked them to come with a prospective idea and that should be transformed into an invention. He also said that Alagappa University will be giving full support to their endeavour in this direction. He referred to various government schemes initiated to support the budding entrepreneurs. Prof.C.Yogalakshmi, Dean, Faculty of Management, offered her felicitation. Dr.V.A.Anand, Organizing Secretary of this workshop welcomed the gathering. Dr.P.Rajan Chinna of the Department proposed a vote of thanks.

Small Industry Day - 2025



The Department organized the Small Industry Day on 30th Aug 2025. Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, in his presidential address, pointed out the significant role played by small industries in the economic development of the nation. He suggested that the students must come forward to become entrepreneurs and start small industries. This would provide many opportunities for the youth of the nation in getting employment and empowering themselves. Big Industries need the support of the small industries for sustenance and further development. Therefore, he stressed the need to start many small industries so as to pave the way for the economic progress of our state and nation. He also said that six industries have been started in the University campus.

Dr. K.S. Kamaludeen, Managing Director, Blue Bharath EXIM Pvt.Ltd., Chennai, in his special address, explained in detail the various schemes of the State and Central governments for the development of small industries. He highlighted the need for the competitive growth of small industries in accordance with the international standards and quality. He appealed to the students to start small industries; and this will make them employers rather than employees.

Prof.V.Sivakumar, Head, Department of Logistics Management, presented the thematic address. Prof.C.Yogalakshmi, Dean, Faculty of Management, delivered the felicitation address. Dr.V.A.Anand, Organizing Secretary, gave the welcome address. Dr.P.Rajan Chinna proposed the vote of thanks.

DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATE SECRETARYSHIP

Orientation Programme for 40th Batch of MBA Organized



The Department of Corporate Secretaryship organized the Orientation Programme for the 40th Batch of I MBA Corporate Secretaryship students from 29th July 2025 to 1st Aug 2025. The programme was conducted with the objective of familiarizing the newly admitted students with the academic environment, curriculum structure, and the rich legacy of Alagappa University. It also aimed to instill in them a sense of discipline, ethics, and enthusiasm for learning.

The welcome address was delivered by Prof. C. Vethirajan, Head of the Department of Corporate Secretaryship. He made a mention of the department's vision of moulding competent professionals with integrity and leadership qualities to serve the nation. In his presidential address, Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, enlightened the students on the importance of professional education and holistic development. He encouraged them to take active participation in academic and extracurricular activities to enhance their personal and professional growth.

The inaugural address was delivered by CS.S. Ramalingam, Chairman, Madurai Chapter of ICSI, who highlighted the dynamic role of company secretaries in the corporate world and urged the students to stay updated with the evolving business and legal environment. The keynote

address was delivered by CS. S. Parasivam, Company Secretary, Madurai, who shared valuable insights on corporate governance and compliance practices. Rev. Sr. Dr. Meldintha Mary, Principal, Idhaya College for Women, Sarugani, gave the special address, stressing the importance of ethics, self-confidence, and perseverance for success in any endeavour. Dr. C. Yogalakshmi, Dean, Faculty of Management, offered her felicitations and Mr. A. Albert, General Manager, DICE Education, who spoke at the inaugural session asked the students to make the best use of the academic opportunities provided by the university. The session concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Prof. A. Morarji.

The subsequent sessions from 30th July to 1st Aug 2025 were marked by a series of expert talks and interactive lectures designed to give the students a holistic understanding of academics, career development, and social responsibility. The resource persons included Mr. Yuvaraj, CS and Compliance Officer, Madurai, Dr. Nageshwari, Former Principal, Seethalakshmi Achi College for Women, Pallathur, Dr. R. Chandramohan, Principal, Nachiappa Swamigal Arts and Science College, Koviloor, Mr. Rajendran, Company Secretary, Dr. J. Sherlin Sunitha Esther, Assistant Professor of English, Dr. Umayal Ramanathan College for Women, Mr. Ambalavanan, SSI Officer, Alagappapuram, Mr. Ajith from Alagappapuram Police Station, Dr. P. Veeramani, Head (i/c) of Women's Studies Department, Dr. N. Raja Priya, Professor cum Administrative Officer, Crescent University, Madurai, Dr. V. Sundararaman, Chairman of the Indian Red Cross Society, Dr. G. Vinayagamoorthy, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, and Dr. I. Sivakumar, Gender and Life Skills Trainer. The four-day orientation programme was a grand success, offering the students an enriching learning experience.

MoU Signing Ceremony



Alagappa University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with CSC Education and Training Academy, Karaikudi. The signing ceremony was held on 19th August 2025 in the presence of the academicians and the representatives from both sides. This MoU paves the way for mutual co-operation and working together in the areas of Education, Training and Development. CSC Education and Training Academy, Karaikudi, offers Certificate and Diploma programmes to the interested students of the Department of Corporate Secretaryship, Alagappa University; in addition it helps conduct students' engagement programmes like internships, seminars, workshops etc. Prof. G. Ravi handed over the signed MoU document to Dr. Nixon Azariah, Director of CSC Education and Training Academy, Karaikudi; and Dr. C. Vethirajan, Finance Officer i/c, Dr. A. Senthilrajan, Registrar, Dr. M. Jothi Basu, Controller of Examinations, Dr. Padmapriya, Special Officer, Planning and Development, Prof. A. Morarji, Dr. K. Ganesamurthy of Alagappa University along with Kajankumar and Nandhini Jayasri Trainers, CSC Academy, Karaikudi, were present on the occasion.

Faculty Member Acted as Panel Speaker in the 15th Edu Summit

Prof. C. Vethirajan acted as a Panel Speaker in the 15th World Edu Summit, MTC Global's 15th Annual Global Convention, jointly hosted by MTC Global and Dr. D.Y. Patil B-School, Pune at latter's state-of-the-art campus on 13th Sep 2025 on the theme "Fostering Human Creativity and Critical Thinking in the Age of Artificial Intelligence for a

Better Future". Prof. C. Vethirajan received MTC Global Rooshikumar Pandya Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence: 2025 recognized by MTC Global at Bangalore.



Faculty Member Received TANSA Award



Prof. C. Vethirajan received the TANSA Award 2023 under Social Science Discipline, on 30.09.2025 at the Resource Centre for Tribal Development (HSDP) Udhagamandalam. The event was organized by Tami Nadu State Council for Science and Technology, Chennai. The award was presented by Dr. Govi Chezhaan, Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education, Govt. of Tamilnadu. Thiru. M.P. Swaminathan, Minister for Information and Publicity, Govt. of Tamil Nadu and Prof. S. Vincent, Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology, were present on the occasion.

DEPARTMENT OF BANK MANAGEMENT

News from the Department

- At the Competitive Examination Orientation Programme held on 12th August 2025 in the Department of Bank Management, experts from VARANDA Race provided strategic guidance on exam patterns, preparation methods, and career pathways, motivating

students to pursue competitive examinations with clarity and confidence.

- A Special Lecture on Life Insurance was hosted on 11th September 2025. Senior officials from LIC enlightened students on the indispensability of life insurance, emerging policy features, and career avenues in the insurance sector.



- As part of “Livewell Programme”, a Medical Camp was conducted on 10th September 2025. A team of specialists from J.S. Hospital, Karaikudi, conducted comprehensive health screenings and consultations, emphasizing the culture of preventive healthcare and well-being of students and faculty members on the campus.
- All students of the Department of Bank Management successfully completed the SEBI Investor Awareness Test conducted by the National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM). The initiative, held under the aegis of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), enhanced students' understanding of capital markets, investor protection, and financial planning.



- The programme reflected the department's motto of “Financial Empowerment through Financial Literacy,” aligning with the University's vision of fostering informed, responsible, and professionally competent finance graduates.

DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND HOTEL MANAGEMENT

Certificate Programme on Food Safety Awareness



The Department of Tourism and Hotel Management, Alagappa University, organized a One Day Certificate Programme on Food Safety Awareness for the B.Sc. Catering Science and Hotel Management students on 26th August 2025 at the University Campus. Ms. M. Suganya, Senior Food Safety Executive, FoSTaC Training Partner - Parikshan, was the resource person; she provided insightful knowledge on safe food practices, regulatory compliance and industry standards. This initiative aimed to strengthen the students' professional readiness by equipping them with practical certifications essential for careers in the Hospitality and Food Industry. The Department is committed to building industry-oriented skills promoting food safety & hygiene awareness and training for future leaders of hospitality industry.

Growth Path in Hotel and Hospitality Industry Careers

The Department invited Jashan Shahani, Assistant Manager - L&D, @ The Park, Chennai, for an insightful session with students. Jashan Shahani provided valuable guidance on career progression in the hospitality industry, emphasizing the importance of continuous

learning, skill development and adaptability in today's global landscape. His real-world insights gave the students a clear roadmap to excel in the dynamic hospitality sector. Mr. Jashan inspired the future hoteliers and hospitality leaders with his pragmatic advice.

Proud Achievements of Students

Students of the Department actively participated in various skill-based competitions held at Bharath College of Science and Management, Thanjavur on 11th Aug 2025. Ms.S. Arthi, M. Yoshothini, and J. Jhonbosco showcased their culinary creativity in Cooking Competition. Ms. M. Archana won the 2nd Prize in Fireless Cooking. Mr. Premsanthanaraj displayed remarkable skill in Cooking Live. Messrs. Manikandan and Chandramouli impressed with their creativity securing the 2nd Prize in Towel Folding Competition.

Proud Moments for Our Budding Chefs



Catering Science and Hotel Management students also participated in the 7th SICA Culinary Olympiad and Exhibition 2025, organized by the South India Chefs' Association (SICA) under the leadership of Padma Shri Dr. Chef K. Damodaran. The Olympiad served as a prestigious platform for aspiring culinary professionals to showcase their talent, creativity and passion for gastronomy while promoting the art of fine cooking and local cuisine.

Our students participated in various categories including Live Practical Cooking – Western & Asian and Individual Practical Dessert Challenge on 11th & 12th Sept. 2025.

Ms. Archana M. won the Bronze Medal in Live Practical Cooking – Asian, Mr. Ramakrishnan

N.R won the Bronze Medal in Individual Practical Dessert Challenge.

Messrs. Prem Santhanaraj A., Hari Priyan R., Manikandan R., Gobika L., obtained merit certificate at the Competitions at Chennai Trade Centre held on 19–21 Sept 2025. Over 20 exciting culinary challenges were conducted, giving students valuable exposure to industry trends and interaction with globally renowned chefs.

Ms. Archana M. & Mr. Prem Santhanaraj A. won the Bronze Medal in Innovative Biryani Cooking – Live. Certificates of Merit were obtained by Ms. Sherlynn J, Mr. Manikandan R and Mr. Shanmuganathan P.

Awareness Session on “Road Safety & Its Importance” Organised

The Department organized an impactful awareness session on "Road Safety and Its Importance" for the students on 22nd Sept 2025 at the University Campus. Mrs. M. Shanthini, B.E., Assistant Divisional Engineer, National Highways Dept, Madurai, was the chief guest. She emphasized the importance of safe driving practices, strict adherence to traffic rules and creating awareness among the youth as future ambassadors of road safety. This session was highly beneficial for the students, helping them understand their responsibility towards society while promoting a culture of safety, discipline, and accountability on roads.

World Tourism Day Celebrated



The Department celebrated the World Tourism Day on 27th Sept 2025 with the global theme “Tourism and Sustainable Transformation.” Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, presided &

inaugurated the event. Mr. S. Saravanan, Founder & Director, Grand Royal Tours (Tamil Nadu & Karnataka) was the Chief Guest and he delivered the special address. Thiru C. Thiruvasan, Tourist Officer, Department of Tourism, Sivagangai district, spoke at the event. The programme was made colorful with: Traditional Oyilattam Dance performed by the talented students that showcased the essence of Tamil heritage. Special fusion of Indian & International Street Dance with Hip Hop, performed by young dancers, highlighted creativity. Prizes were given to the winners of various competitions. The winners of the SICA Culinary Olympiad 2025 were honoured as they competed with 300+ participants from countries like Malaysia, Singapore, Vietnam, and Sri Lanka.

DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT

Special Lecture on 'Business Opportunities Identification and Government Schemes'



A special lecture entitled “Business Opportunities Identification and Government Schemes” was conducted on 26.09.2025. The welcome address was delivered by Dr. N. Ramar, Teaching Assistant; Prof. C.K. Muthukumaran, Head i/c, Department of Disaster Management, in his presidential address, referred to the evolving landscape of business opportunities and government schemes. The resource person Mr. J. R. Nagarajan, Assistant Director, District Industries Centre, Sivagangai delivered an enlightening lecture on the topic and motivated the students to explore available government schemes, business opportunities; and he also shared valuable information related to entrepreneurial development. Dr. M. Raja, Teaching Assistant,

proposed a vote of thanks.

Special Lecture on 'Ignite 2025: Sparking Entrepreneurial Minds'



The Department organized an invited guest lecture on “Ignite 2025: Sparking Entrepreneurial Minds” on 29th September 2025. Dr. M. Muthumeena, Teaching Assistant, welcomed the gathering, Prof. C.K. Muthukumaran delivered the presidential address. The resource person Arumai Ruban Joseph, District Programme Manager, EDII TN, Department of MSME, Sivagangai District, delivered a special lecture on the topic. He motivated the students by underlining the importance of developing entrepreneurial mind-set. His presentation focused on various “MSME Schemes” offering valuable perceptions into funding opportunities and government schemes available for start-ups. The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. M. Vasanthavigar, Teaching Assistant.

ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY PLACEMENT CELL

Placement Drive Organized



The Alagappa University Placement Cell and Centre for Yoga Education in association with Bharathidasanar Group of Schools, Arakonam conducted a Placement Drive 2025 for the position

of Yoga Education Teachers in Bharathidasanar Group of Schools on 21.03.2025. 16 Students secured placements. The Placement Co-ordinator Prof.G.Nedumaran, Dr. K.Govindarajan and Dr.S.Gopalsamy, Deputy Co-ordinators, organized this programme.

ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY STUDY CIRCLE

Contours of Job World –A Youth Career Development Programme Organized

In a visionary initiative to equip students with clarity and confidence in their career paths, Alagappa University Study Circle organized a programme titled 'Contours of Job World – An Insight under the Umbrella of the Youth Career Development Programme' on 21.07.2025. The event was attended by over 400 students, including competitive exam aspirants and students from various departments of Alagappa University. Dr. G. Rajeswari, Director (i/c) of AUSC, in her welcome address, highlighted the importance of career awareness in the ever-changing job landscape. Prof. G. Ravi, Vice-Chancellor, in his presidential address, asked students to broaden their horizons and develop skills that meet the demands of both public and private sector recruiters. "The youth must be equipped not just with degrees but with direction," he remarked. The highlight of the programme was the presence of two eminent civil service officers as special guests and keynote speakers – Shri. K. Siva Subramani, IPS, Deputy Inspector General of Police, Odisha, and Shri. P. Sridharan, IRS, Additional Commissioner of Income Tax, TDS Range & Appeals Unit, Madurai and Trichy Region.

In his address, Shri. K. Siva Subramani, IPS, who is now serving in Odisha cadre, shared his personal journey into the Indian Police Service. He emphasized the importance of self-discipline, consistent preparation, and the need to align personal goals with social responsibility. "Every young aspirant has the potential to bring positive change. The civil services offer a platform to directly impact society," he stated, encouraging students to stay focused and resilient through their competitive

exam journeys. Following his speech, Shri. P. Sridharan, IRS provided students with a deeper understanding of the structure and scope of the Indian Revenue Service. He urged students to look beyond the exams and understand the larger purpose behind public service. "Be it UPSC, TNPSC, banking, or teaching exams - every job in the public sector plays a critical role. What matters is how sincerely you prepare and what values you carry forward", he remarked. Dr. P. Suresh Kumar, Advisor of Alagappa University Study Circle (AUSC), delivered the keynote address. He provided a structured overview of competitive examinations such as UPSC, TNPSC, NET, SET, Banking, and SSC, and advised students to set clear timelines and utilize University resources effectively. "Discipline, daily study schedules, and mock tests are your biggest allies," he stated.

The session also included interaction where students posed queries regarding preparation strategies, time management, optional subject selection, and current affairs preparation. Both officers responded with clarity and encouraged students to utilize university resources such as the Study Circle Library, and other Libraries more effectively. The programme witnessed enthusiastic participation from students across disciplines – Arts, Science, Management, and Education. Faculty members also lauded the initiative, calling it "a timely and necessary step to align students' academic growth with career readiness. "The event not only enlightened students about the contours of the job world but also ignited a renewed sense of purpose among future aspirants aiming for careers in public service and beyond.



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