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## **REPORT ON THE BEACH CLEAN-UP EVENT**

### **Event Details:**

**Date:** 16 march 2024

**Time:** 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

**Beach Location:** Vettukadu Beach

**Number of Green Volunteers:**60

### **Introduction:**

The Centre for Environmental Studies and Paryavaran Mitra Eco Club, in collaboration with the Sutera Foundation, proudly presented a significant event, the "Beach Clean-Up" as part of the "No More Beach Clean-Ups" Mega Awareness Campaign. This event was organized with the support of the Thiruvananthapuram Municipal Corporation. The primary aim of this initiative was to raise awareness about the importance of preserving our pristine shores and oceans by actively engaging in responsible environmental practices.

### **Event Highlights:**

**1. Location:** Vettukadu Beach was chosen as the site for this Beach Clean-Up due to its popularity and the need for regular maintenance. The beach, located along the Arabian Sea, serves as a vital recreational spot for the local community and tourists alike.

**2. Participation:** The event attracted an impressive turnout of 60 green volunteers, including students from Mar Gregorios College of Law and enthusiastic members of the Paryavaran Mitra Eco Club. The diversity in age and background among the participants highlighted the inclusive nature of the campaign.

**3. Awareness:** Prior to commencing the clean-up activities, an informative session was conducted by environmental experts and representatives from the Thiruvananthapuram Municipal Corporation. They shared valuable insights into the adverse effects of littering and pollution on coastal ecosystems and marine life. The session emphasized the urgent need for collective action to protect our environment.

**4. Clean-Up Activities:** The volunteers were provided with gloves, trash bags, and other necessary equipment. They were divided into groups; each assigned a specific section of the beach to clean. The participants enthusiastically collected various forms of waste, including plastic bottles, wrappers, cigarette butts, and other debris.

**5. Waste Sorting:** To ensure responsible waste management, collected materials were sorted into recyclables and non-recyclables. Recycling bins were provided for recyclable waste, while non-recyclables were properly disposed of in designated containers.

**6. Collaboration:** The event fostered collaboration between the local community, educational institutions, and governmental bodies. This cooperative effort

showcased the potential for positive change when stakeholders come together for a common cause.

### **Achievements:**

The Beach Clean-Up event at Veli Beach on 16 March 2024, made significant strides in raising environmental awareness and promoting responsible behavior.

Some notable achievements include:

- Removal of a substantial amount of litter and waste from the beach, contributing to the restoration of the natural beauty of Vettukadu Beach.
- Education and enlightenment of 60 volunteers and countless onlookers regarding the importance of preserving our coastal ecosystems.
- Enhancement of community engagement and the establishment of lasting partnerships between educational institutions, NGOs, and local authorities in the pursuit of sustainable environmental practices.

Brand auditing was done.

### **Conclusion:**

The "Beach Clean-Up" event organized by the Centre for Environmental Studies and Paryavaran Mitra Eco Club, in association with the Sutera Foundation, was a resounding success in furthering the goals of the "No More Beach Clean-Ups" Mega Awareness Campaign. It demonstrated the power of collective action in preserving our pristine shores and fostering environmental stewardship. The event's impact will hopefully inspire similar initiatives in the future, leading to cleaner and healthier coastal environments for generations to come.





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## ഓസോൺ ദിനാചരണം നടത്തി

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കോളേജ് ഡയറക്ടർ ഫാ. ജോസഫ് വെൻമനത്തിന്റെയും സെന്റർ കോർഡിനേറ്റർമാരായ ജിൻസി. പി. ബാബുവിന്റെയും സ്വാതിനായരുടെയും നേതൃത്വത്തിൽ 110-ഓളം ഗ്രീൻ വോളന്റിയർമാർ പങ്കെടുത്തു.

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# ഓസോൺ ദിനം: വേളി കടൽത്തീരം ശുചീകരിച്ചു

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കോളജ് ഡയറക്ടർ ഫാ. ജോസഫ് വെൻമാനത്ത്, സെന്റർ കോ ഓർഡിനേറ്റർമാരായ ജിൻസി. പി. ബാബു, സ്വാതി നായർ എന്നിവർ നേതൃത്വം നൽകി.



## **REPORT OF OUTREACH AT MAR BASELIOS COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**

During April the faculty co-ordinators of the Centre for Constitutional Studies Abhaya B K and Aiswarya M U, along with Sushama George Mathew, Assistant Professor Mar Gregorios College of Law jointly engaged in a series of lecture sessions on the framework and working of the Constitution of India at Mar Baselios College of Engineering and Technology. The sessions were organized as a collaborative activity between the Teaching-Learning Centre of the Mar Baselios College of Engineering and Technology and the Centre for Constitutional Studies, Mar Gregorios College of Law under the Niyamamitra program. The sessions were intended for the members of the college faculty who were assigned the duty of teaching mandatory non-credit courses in the Constitution of India for the B.Tech degree programs. The Classes were organized every week during April 2023. The program was useful for the participants in developing their course plan and the scheme of evaluation. The participants well received all the sessions and the feedback was good.



**REPORT ON NIYAMAMITRA OUTREACH PROGRAMME AT PSNM  
GOVERNMENT HSS PEROORKADA.**

On 6th February 2024, the Center for Constitutional Studies organized the Niyamamitra outreach program at PSNM Government HSS Peroorkkada. The program was led by faculty coordinators Aiswarya M U and Abhaya B K, along with seven students from the 5th semester L.L.B. who helped organize and run the event. The program aimed to educate high school and higher secondary students on the basic features of the Constitution, including Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy, and Fundamental Duties. The classes were conducted from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm and were well-received by the students, who showed enthusiasm and curiosity. The student coordinators, including Prince Prasad, Adityan, Gouri M S, Atul Krishna, Sebin, and Rahul, handled the classes and contributed to the success of the program.



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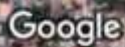
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## **REPORT ON NIYAMAMITRA OUTREACH PROGRAMME AT SNHSS UZHAMALAKKAL**

On January 22, 2024, the Center for Constitutional Studies organized the Niyamamitra outreach program at SNHSS Uzhamalakkal. The program was led by faculty coordinators Aiswarya M U and Abhaya B K, along with 22 students from the 5th semester L.L.B who helped organize and run the event. The program aimed to educate high school and higher secondary students on the basic features of the Constitution, including Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy, and Fundamental Duties. The classes were conducted from 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm and were well-received by the students, who showed enthusiasm and curiosity. The student coordinators, including AnnMaria, Adityan, Saira, Atul, Devisree, Sradha B Shaji, Gouri M S, Jeeva, Sebin, Anjulee, Aditya Lal, Varun, Aayisha, Sivani, Jerin, Gargi, Diya, Vivekanand Venu, Ganesh, Ryan, and Ibine, handled the classes and contributed to the success of the program.






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# FINAL REPORT

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**THE LEGAL AID CLINIC  
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INTRODUCTION TO THE TEAM**



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## II. REPORT OF THE PRISON PROCEEDINGS

The Legal Aid Clinic Members were vested with the opportunity of conducting a formal survey in the correctional homes in the district in lieu of the Second Prof. V. S. Mallar Memorial Legal Aid Competition, 2023, organized by the esteemed National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bangalore, in collaboration with the Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India. One of the stipulated criteria for the competition was to undertake a comprehensive survey within a prison environment. Hence, the team prepared a comprehensive questionnaire and subsequently divided the team into three distinct groups, each tasked with fulfilling this mission. The Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority, Vanchiyoor granted necessary permissions following a formal request made by Faculty Coordinator, Adv. Ushakumari K.G. The deployment of these three teams to different locations was executed seamlessly on the same day, with the survey sessions scheduled for the dates of 12/10/2023, 13/10/2023, and 14/10/2023. The team was briefed on the decorum and protocols essential for engagement within the correctional facilities and instructed to compile a detailed report for each day of the survey.

Sl No.	Name of the Prison	Details of the Prison	Survey Method : Questionnaire/ Interview	Summary of Interview
1	Central Prison & Correctional Home	1364 Male Inmate	Interview	The prison accommodates only male inmates, ensuring specific classifications based on offenses, age, and health conditions. It offers comprehensive support, including medical, mental, and occupational services, along with educational and recreational programs. Legal aid, family connections, and grievance redressal committees are prioritized to support inmates' diverse needs, contributing to a comprehensive care system within the facility.



2	District Jail, Thiruvananthapuram.	Remand Prisoners:233 Undertrial Prisoners:91 Convicts: 5 Early Release (ER): 2 Additionally, 15 more inmates were slated to be transferred from Attingal jail	Interview	The prison faces challenges of overcrowding and understaffing, hosting 331 inmates in a space meant for 270. It offers comprehensive medical care, including psychiatric services and isolation for HIV/AIDS cases. Conflicts among inmates are documented, and education, vocational training, and family connections are supported. Legal aid and an Advisory Board exist to address inmate concerns and recommendations for pardons.
3	Open Jail, Thiruvananthapuram	57 inmates.	Interview	It was noted that the institution prioritizes the well-being of its occupants, offering adequate living conditions, comprehensive medical care, and educational/vocational programs. Infrequent conflicts are documented, family connections are facilitated, and legal aid is provided, complemented by informing inmates about government policies for their benefit, such as self-employment loans and education grants.





4.	Women Prison and Correctional Home	Unlock- 58 + 1 Child. Convict- 9 Remand- 44+ 1 Child Under Trial- 5 Interim Bail- 1 Custody- 1	Interview	<p>The historic jail, once a royal construction, currently houses 108 inmates without overcrowding issues, ensuring sanitation, healthcare, and vocational training. Despite understaffing, the prison maintains a stress-free environment, visitation rights, fair treatment, and income-generating opportunities for inmates. However, with rising crime rates, the prospect of future overcrowding necessitates immediate action, potentially through facility expansion or the establishment of a new complex, especially for women.</p>
5.	Special Sub-Jail, Thiruvananthapuram	256 inmates, comprising Remand Prisoners, Undertrial Prisoners, and those sentenced to a term not exceeding 3 months	Interview	<p>It offers basic amenities, medical care, and addresses conflicts, emphasizing education, vocational training, and rehabilitation initiatives like the "Freedom Food Factory." Legal aid, familial visitation rights, and preparations for transgender prisoner housing were noted, along with insights into the operational framework and essential admission documents, stressing adherence to legal procedures.</p>



6.	Women's Open Jail, Thiruvananthapuram	12 inmates, categorized as follows: a. Convicts: 12 b. On parole: 2	Interview	Emphasizing essential living conditions, medical care, education, and vocational training, the facility promotes family connections and offers legal aid. Notably, the absence of conflicts, an Advisory Board for pardon recommendations, and inmate awareness of government policies were key insights.
7.	Special Sub-Jail, Neyyattinkara	Unlock - 169 • Convicts - 2 • Taken to Medical College due to illness - 1. • Mental Hospital - 2	Interview	While it provides essential amenities, restricted indoor activities, and labor opportunities, specific cases illustrate prolonged imprisonments due to stringent legal measures. Despite maintaining a stress-free atmosphere, the facility's challenges include understaffing and an urgent need for expanded space to address the overcrowding predicament and ensure adequate living conditions for its inmates.

8	Sub-Jail, Attingal	87 inmates, categorized as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remand Prisoners: 79</li> <li>• Undertrial Prisoners: 8</li> </ul>	Interview	<p>The visit, focusing on inmate welfare, was restricted by institutional regulations, with Superintendent Sajikumar J. guiding the clinic members. Highlighting issues of overcrowding and understaffing, the facility, designed for 42, currently houses 87 inmates, affecting living conditions. Basic medical care is accessible, but mental health support is inadequate. Conflicts are documented, but educational and vocational opportunities are scarce. Visitation is limited, and legal aid is provided to inmates within the confines of the regulations.</p>
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## OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM

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H. Date of Visit to	Name of Prisoner	Name of Student
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## **B. MINUTES**

### **B.1. Central Prison and Correctional Home**

The Legal Aid Clinic of Mar Gregorios College of Law visited the Central Prison in Thiruvananthapuram as part of a legal aid competition. As of October 12, 2023, the prison housed 1364 male inmates, and living conditions were assessed, emphasizing clean water provision and hygiene. Inmates received medical, mental, and spiritual health services, along with opportunities for social interactions. The prison provided vocational training, education, cultural activities, and recreational facilities. Legal aid services, liaisoning with government departments, and a grievance redressal committee were established to ensure inmates' well-being and rights.

### **B.2. District Prison**

The Legal Aid Clinic of Mar Gregorios College visited Thiruvananthapuram's District Jail for the Prof. V. S. Mallar Memorial Legal Aid Competition, encountering communication restrictions. With officials' guidance, they discovered restricted inmate access, requiring a court order, and the prison faced challenges of overcrowding and understaffing with 331 inmates. Adequate living conditions, medical care, and educational programs were observed, but incidents of inmate conflict were acknowledged. Family connections were facilitated within designated hours, legal access was ensured, and an Advisory Board, comprising the Sessions Judge, Chief Judicial Magistrate, and Prison Superintendent, was highlighted for inmate pardon recommendations.

### **B.3. Open Jail, Thiruvananthapuram**

The Open Jail visit revealed a structured environment with restricted access for visitors without a court order. The facility housed 57 inmates, ensuring their well-being with adequate living conditions, comprehensive healthcare, and vocational programs. Incidents of conflict among inmates were rare and meticulously documented. Educational initiatives and vocational training were provided, alongside motivational sessions replacing religious meetings for rehabilitation. Visitation rights were limited but maintained, while legal counsel and government policy awareness were accessible to inmates. An Advisory Board considered inmates for pardon, reflecting a system emphasizing rehabilitation and reform.





## MINUTES

### **B.4. Women Prison And Correctional Home**

The Legal Aid Clinic of Mar Gregorios College of Law visited the Women's Prison and Correctional Home in Thiruvananthapuram for a competition. They were unable to directly converse with inmates due to regulations but gathered extensive data. The facility, originally constructed by the Royal Family, houses 108 prisoners with adequate living conditions and essential amenities. Vocational training, income generation through crafts, and daily wages empower the inmates financially. Visitation rights are granted thrice weekly, emphasizing family connections. The prison maintains a stress-free environment, historically housing transgender inmates, with no reported officer misconduct. While understaffed, plans for recruitment are in progress. Future overcrowding concerns prompt the need for facility expansion or a new complex.

### **B.5. Special Sub- jail Thiruvananthapuram**

During a visit to the Special Sub Jail in Thiruvananthapuram, facilitated by Superintendent Surendran M. and Deputy Prison Officer Subhash G. S., limited access to inmates without a court order was observed. As of October 13, 2023, the prison housed 256 inmates with slight overcrowding, providing fundamental amenities and medical attention, including referrals for serious conditions. Efficient resolution and documentation of inter-inmate conflicts were overseen by the Welfare Officer. The prison emphasized education, vocational training, and rehabilitation initiatives, with a focus on motivational sessions and de-addiction programs. Inmates had unrestricted access to meet friends and relatives, with meticulous visitor records maintained. Legal aid was provided through an in-prison Legal Aid Clinic. The visit also revealed ongoing renovations to accommodate transgender prisoners, showcasing a commitment to inclusivity.

### **B.6. Women's open jail Thiruvananthapuram**

During a visit to the Women's Open Jail in Thiruvananthapuram, the first in India exclusively for women, clinic members, guided by Superintendent Sobhia Beevi, learned about the facility's unique features. Access is restricted, requiring a court order, and as of October 13, 2023, the jail housed 12 inmates, with a focus on maintaining adequate living conditions and medical care. Conflict among inmates is absent, and incidents are diligently documented by the Welfare Officer. The facility provides basic education, vocational programs, and motivational sessions, while also supporting family connections and visitations. Legal counsel, para-legal volunteers, and an Advisory Board contribute to the inmates' support system. Inmates are well-informed about government policies and are actively availing benefits such as self-employment loans and education grants.



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### **B.7. Special Sub jail Neyyattinkara**

The Legal Aid Clinic of Mar Gregorios College of Law visited the Special Sub Jail in Neyyattinkara on October 14, 2023, as part of a legal aid competition organized by NLSIU, Bengaluru. The focus was on evaluating the welfare and living conditions, allowing student volunteers to interact and survey inmates. The jail, located in Thozukkal, Neyyattinkara, currently holds 169 inmates, including 2 convicts, 1 taken to a Medical College due to illness, and 2 in a Mental Hospital. Executive officers, totaling 22, oversee the facility, managing various roles. The jail, designed for 71 inmates, is facing significant overcrowding, and emergency healthcare is provided by an on-call pharmacist and nursing assistant.

### **B.8. Sub-Jail, Attingal**

The Legal Aid Clinic visited the District Jail in Thiruvananthapuram, aiming to assess the welfare of incarcerated individuals. Limited access hindered direct conversations with inmates. Superintendent Sajikumar J provided valuable insights. The prison housed 87 inmates, facing issues of overcrowding and understaffing, surpassing its official capacity of 42. Adequate living conditions were noted, yet conflicts among inmates were not uncommon and documented by welfare officers. Healthcare included routine medication and psychiatric services, with HIV/AIDS-diagnosed inmates transferred to the Central Prison. Basic education and vocational programs were lacking, limiting inmates to cooking and cleaning without compensation. Family visitation rights were restricted, allowing short visits twice a week, and inmates could communicate with families on alternate days. Legal counsel and para-legal volunteers were accessible to inmates.



## C. PRISON ENGAGEMENT SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

This survey aims to understand the awareness of various government schemes and the problems faced by the prisoners.

### Section 1: Demographics

1.1 Name of the prisoner \_\_\_\_\_

1.2. Gender:

Male

Female

Other

1.3. Age: \_\_\_\_\_

1.4. Current prison facility: \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 2: Legal Status

2.1. Are you an undertrial prisoner or a convicted inmate?

☐ Undertrial

☐ Convicted Inmate

2.2 How long have you been in prison? \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 3: Living Conditions

3.1. How would you describe the cleanliness of your cell or living area?

☐ Clean

☐ Adequate

☐ Poor

☐ Very Poor

3.2. Do you have access to clean drinking water and sanitation facilities?

☐ Yes

☐ No

3.3. Are there any issues with overcrowding in your prison facility?

☐ Yes

☐ No

3.4 Do you have any current concerns or issues being in prison? If yes, specify \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 4: Healthcare

4.1. Have you received adequate medical care during your time in prison?

☐ Yes

☐ No

4.2. Are there any specific health concerns or medical conditions you feel are not being adequately addressed? \_\_\_\_\_





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### Section 5: Safety and Security

5.1. Do you feel safe from physical harm within the prison facility?

☐ Yes

☐ No

5.2. Have you experienced any form of violence or abuse from prison staff or other inmates?

☐ Yes

☐ No

### Section 6: Rehabilitation and Programs

6.1. Are there any educational or vocational programs available to you in prison?

☐ Yes

☐ No

6.2. If yes, have you participated in any of these programs?

☐ Yes

☐ No

6.3. Did you receive payment for vocational work within the prison?

☐ Yes

☐ No

6.4. Are you aware of any government schemes or initiatives aimed at rehabilitation and skill development for prisoners?

☐ Yes

☐ No

6.5. If yes, please provide details of any government schemes or programs you have benefited

6.6. Is "Self-Employment Scheme for dependents of prisoners"availed?

☐ yes

☐ No

### Section 7: Family and Contact

7.1. How often are you able to communicate with your family or loved ones?

☐ Frequently

☐ Occasionally

☐ Rarely

☐ Never

7.2. Do you feel that the prison system adequately supports family connections and visitations?

☐ Yes

☐ No





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### Section 8: Rights of prisoners

8.1 Are you aware of this prison offering any specialist services for older prisoners?

☐ Yes

☐ No

8.2 Is there anything that prevents you from getting the help/support you need from this prison?

8.3 Have you availed any legal aid after coming to this prison?

☐ Yes

☐ No

8.4 Was there any restrictions in availing legal aid? If yes, specify

8.5 Have you faced any restrictions in consulting your lawyer?

### Section 9: Additional Comments

9.1. Please provide any additional comments, suggestions, or concerns you have about your experience in prison, including any feedback on government schemes or vocational programs.



### III. SPEED MENTORING

Speed mentoring is a structured and time-efficient approach to mentoring where mentees seeking guidance, rotate through a series of short, focused interactions with different mentors. Each interaction, or "speed mentoring session," lasts for a brief period, usually a few minutes. During this time, mentees can ask questions, or discuss specific topics with mentors. The goal is to provide mentees exposure to a variety of perspectives and insights in a condensed time frame, facilitating rapid learning and networking. With the enthusiastic participation of over 150 children from 15+ schools in the districts of Trivandrum and Kollam in Kerala, the speed mentoring programme was launched. These workshops, which were led by over 20 passionate law student volunteers, offered a forum for insightful conversations and discussions on legal awareness subjects such as child labour, child marriage, the right to an education, the Juvenile Justice Act, and the POCSO Act. The collaborative effort between students and volunteers contributed to spreading awareness and fostering a sense of legal empowerment among the school community.

Sl No.	Particulars of Schools engaged	Choice of Dissemination Techniques (Pamphlets/ Classroom Technique/Skits, etc.)	Venue	Number of Students who attended
1	Govt. U.P.S. Chittoor	Classroom Technique	Edappallykotta, Chavara, Panmana, Kerala 691583	166
2	Govt. Vocational Higher Secondary School (Girls)	Classroom Technique	Thirumukku-Koottikkada Rd, Valathungal, Kollam, Kerala 691011	58



3.	Govt. High School for Girls	Classroom Technique	Near to KMML Factory, Sankaramangalam, Chavara, Kerala 691583	62
4	K.M.J. Central School	Classroom Technique	Pallimukku, Kollam, Kerala 691021	80
5	Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School	Classroom Technique	GHSS Line, Nedumanga, Thiruvananthapuram, Nedumangad, Kerala 695541	81
6	L.M.S. Higher Secondary School	Classroom Technique	Chempoor Rd, Chemboor, Kerala 695125	126
7	Govt. Higher Secondary School	Classroom Technique	Thonnakkal, Keezhthonnakkal, Kerala 695589	87
8	Mt. Carmel Convent Anglo-Indian Girls I.S.C. School	Classroom Technique	Thangassery Rd, Thangasherry East, Thangassery, Kollam, Kerala 691007	31
9	Lekshmi Vilasam High School	Classroom Technique	Pothencode, Kerala 695584	100



10	Govt. Girls H.S.S.	Classroom Technique	Kanyakulangara - Pothencode Road, Kanyakulangara, Kerala 695615	88
11	Govt. H.S.S. for Boys	Classroom Technique	Valathungal, Mayyanad, Kerala 691011	40
12	Govt. Higher Secondary School	Classroom Technique	Kovilhottam Rd, Sankaramangalam, Panmana, Chavara, Kerala 691583	47
13	St. Helen's Girls High School	Classroom Technique	Kanjiramkulam Road, Kanjiramkulam panchayat, Lourdupuram, Kerala 695524	69
14	National Public School	Classroom Technique	Kottiyam - Kundara Rd, Mukhathala, Kerala 691577	49
15	St. John's Model Higher Secondary School	Classroom Technique	Mar Ivanios Vidya Nagar, Nalanchira, Paruthippara, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695015	61
16	Govt. Vocational and Higher Secondary School	Classroom Technique	EMS Colony, Poovar, Kerala 695525	60-70





17	Fort Girl's Mission High School	Classroom Technique	Ramaswamy Kovil Street, Opposite To Agro Super Bazar, Fort, Nalumukku, Pazhavangadi, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695023	88
18	Government High School, Sreekaryam	Classroom Technique	Chavadimukku, Sreekariyam, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695017	52
19	The Oxford School	Classroom Technique	Palathara, Kollam , Kerala 691020	54
20	Mannam Memorial Residential School	Classroom Technique	Thattamala, Valathungal, Kollam, 691011	30
21	Government Higher Secondary	Classroom Technique	Chavadimukku, Sreekariyam, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695017	46
22	Government Boys Higher Secondary	Classroom Technique	State Highway 1 Kanyakulangara, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695615	55
23	Government Girls Higher Secondary	Classroom Technique	Kesavadasapuram Rd, near LIC Junction, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695004	60



24	Prem Nazir Memorial Government Higher Secondary School	Classroom Technique	koonthalloor, chirayinkeezhu, Koonthalloor	78
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The legal aid clinic of Mar Gregorios College of Law organised speed mentoring program to students belonging to secondary, higher secondary, middle or high school classes i.e., 3rd standard/grade to 12th standard/grade. The mentoring program shall offer enriching sessions on various legal aspects related to children.

The session were on the following topics:

- Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012
- Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015
- Child Marriage Prohibition Act
- Right to Education Act
- Rights of the elderly/senior citizens
- Domestic Violence
- Narcotic-Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 1985
- Child Labour
- Fundamental Rights and Duties under The Constitution of India
- Cyber Laws

### A. Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012

A legal awareness class was organised for the students of various schools. Firstly, the students were given a brief explanation and idea about the POCSO Act. It was explained that before the enactment of the POCSO Act there was no particular or exclusive Act governing the sexual offences that happened against children. The main problem before the enactment of the POCSO Act was that there was absolutely no act governing the sexual offences that happened against male children.

1. India is a country that has a huge population of children. Protection of children is a guarantee that has been enshrined in the Indian Constitution. Hence, it was of utmost importance that the POCSO Act, 2012 be enacted. Before the enactment of the POCSO Act, sexual offences against children were tried under the provisions of rape, outraging the modesty of a woman, unnatural offences, etc. under the Indian Penal Code.
2. The students were briefed about the important features of the POCSO Act. The POCSO Act is gender neutral. There is no distinction between male or female under this act. This Act was enacted in the best interest of the children. Various types of sexual abuses are mentioned under this Act including:





1. Penetrative sexual assault
2. Aggravated penetrative sexual assault
3. Sexual assault
4. Sexual harassment
5. Pornography

The children were also given a class on good touch as well as bad touch. Taught them how to identify between a good touch and bad touch and the instances where a touch can be a bad or wrong one. By the end of the class the students were aware that the POCSO Act plays a pivotal role in addressing the serious issue of child sexual abuse in India. It establishes a comprehensive legal framework to protect children, emphasizing the importance of reporting, preserving evidence, and ensuring a child-friendly legal process. By promoting awareness and stringent consequences for offenders, the act contributes significantly to creating a safer environment for the nation's youth.

#### **B. Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015**

The session codified by the members of the Legal Aid Clinic catered to touch all the vital laws in every nuance ranging from fundamental right and duty to the civil and criminal codes that re to be addressed to the students of their age and which the textbooks had lacked. Such a session was very much appreciated by the management of the Schools which turned out to give the class a tremendous reach. The Session handling the Juvenile Justice Act had been taken by giving the students a disclaimer through an awareness regarding how the judicial system works in the country and all the appalling and ghastly deeds revolving around the society at large. On laying a premise of the Judicial system and the backdrop, the speakers put forward the question "What the judicial system does to the children that are in conflict with law". Up until the session, the students that had been unaware of certain terms such as "Child in conflict with law", "Juvenile home", "Correctional home" had now made a spark in the young minds and the thought to refrain from such malpractices. The Gender neutrality, Punishments, providing best interest for the children below age of 18 years, sexual assaults, the NCPCR and SCPCR, Special Juvenile Police Unit had now been a versed facts for the children.

#### **C. Child Marriage**

The awareness class on the Child Marriage Prohibition Act was conducted for school children to educate them about the legal framework and consequences associated with child marriage. The session aimed to empower students with knowledge to prevent and address instances of child marriage.



Firstly an introduction about the Act and the history of the Act was given. The need of introduction of the Child Marriage Prohibition Act, 2006 was given. The overview of the act included the definition, legal age of marriage and the consequences for those involved in child marriage would face. Punishments prescribed for people solemnising, abetting, directing and promoting child marriages were also explained. The session then covered the reporting mechanisms. The officer appointed, his duties and other methods of reporting instances of child marriage was covered as well. This also included information on who can complain and to whom a complaint can be lodged. The session then moved on to the rights and protection measures. It emphasised on the rights of children to education, health and a safe environment. The negatives of child marriage like low literacy rate, increased maternal mortality rate etc and the protective measures under the law were also explained. Then insights on the objectives of the prohibition of Child Marriage Amendment Bill, 2021 was given. Lastly, the impact on individuals and society was discussed. This included the physical, emotional, and psychological effects on children.

#### **D.Right to Education**

The awareness session conducted on the Right to Education (RTE) Act educated students about this fundamental right to education for children aged 6-14 years.

The presenters first provided a detailed overview of the RTE Act, covering its objectives, key provisions, and entitlements. The Act aims to provide free and compulsory elementary education to all children in this age group. Under the Act, all schools must adhere to infrastructure norms, teacher qualifications, and prohibition of corporal punishment. Private schools are mandated to reserve 25% seats for economically disadvantaged children. Schools cannot deny admission to students nor can they charge capitation fees.

The students were informed that the RTE makes education a legally enforceable right. If any child is denied admission or required to drop out, they can approach local authorities and courts to demand remedies and enforcement of their right. The session emphasized that illiteracy is detrimental to individual growth while education uplifts families and society. Students pledged to exercise their right to education and also encourage their peers, especially girls and underprivileged children, to regularly attend school. Knowledge of the RTE will empower students to demand educational access when required.



### **E. Rights of Elderly Citizens Act**

It began with the objectives, overview and key provisions of the Act. These include mandatory maintenance by children or relatives, special police units for elderly, access to healthcare, prohibiting transfer of property without consent of elderly etc. Different types of abuse like physical, emotional and financial faced by the elderly were discussed through examples.

Students were informed about procedures for filing complaints under the Act and penalties imposed on abusers. They were encouraged to confidentially report any abuse witnessed by them and extend support to elderly in need. Insights were shared on the joys of inter-generational relationships and involving youth in caregiving of the aged. Students pledged to spread awareness regarding senior citizen rights and build a society based on respect and care for the elderly.

### **F. Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act**

The talk on domestic violence educated students about this critical social issue and the legal protections available against it. The session started with defining domestic violence, the various types of abuse like physical, verbal, emotional, sexual and economic. Statistics and examples highlighted the extensive prevalence and impacts of domestic violence on affected women and children. An overview of the Domestic Violence Act was provided - its purpose, protection officers, reliefs like protection orders and right to residence. Students were informed about mechanisms for grievance redressal like service providers, shelter homes and helplines. They were encouraged to report domestic violence incidents and support affected persons in seeking assistance. Students pledged zero tolerance for domestic abuse. The session aimed to make students sensitive allies in the fight against domestic violence in homes and society.

### **G. NDPS Act**

The Legal Aid Clinic of Mar Gregorios College of Law had conducted a legal awareness class for SPC students of Pattom Girls School. I was assigned to take class on Drug Abuse among teenagers in connection with NDPS Act 1985. In recent years, drug abuse among teenagers have become a serious issue in India. The main reason for this is peer pressure of society and incapability to handle things. The Government has taken several measures to handle this by implementing stringent laws and regulations. Drug Abuse may lead to a wide range of physical and psychological problems. In a teenager's life it can affect the academic performance and social life. Due to increase in drug abuse cases among students of tender age an awareness class on this topic was helpful one.





Firstly, the students were given a detailing on the health consequences due to the usage of drugs. Drug abuse among teenagers can have severe health consequences, impacting both physical and mental wellbeing. Some key health risks include:

1. **Brain Development:** Adolescence is a critical period for brain development, and drug abuse can interfere with this process. Substance use during this time may lead to cognitive impairments, memory loss, and difficulties in decision-making.
2. **Mental Health Issues:** Drug abuse is linked to an increased risk of mental health disorders such as anxiety, depression, and even psychosis. The use of certain substances may exacerbate existing mental health conditions or trigger new ones.
3. **Physical Health:** Different drugs can have various physical health consequences. For example, the use of tobacco, alcohol, or illicit substances can lead to cardiovascular issues, liver damage, respiratory problems, and weakened immune systems.
4. **Addiction:** Teenagers are particularly vulnerable to developing substance dependence or addiction due to the ongoing brain development. Addiction can have long-term implications, affecting their ability to lead a healthy and fulfilling life.
5. **Academic and Social Impact:** Drug abuse can negatively impact academic performance and social relationships. A teenager's focus, concentration, and motivation may decline, leading to poor school performance. Social isolation and strained relationships with family and peers can also result from substance abuse.
6. **Legal Consequences:** In addition to health effects, drug abuse among teenagers can lead to legal issues. Possession or distribution of illegal substances can result in criminal charges, affecting their future prospects and opportunities.
7. **Risk-Taking Behavior:** Substance abuse is often associated with risky behaviors such as unsafe sex or driving under the influence, increasing the likelihood of accidents and injuries.

Each student of the young generation should be aware of the laws and regulations that exists in India.

So, the students were given a brief explanation and a quick glance of the legal provisions relating Drug Abuse which is prescribed in NDPS Act 1985.

The Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act of 1985 in India serves as a comprehensive legislation to combat drug abuse. Enacted to regulate and control operations related to narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, the NDPS Act aims to prevent their misuse and illegal trafficking. The Act classifies substances into various schedules, imposing strict penalties for offenses. Drug abuse poses a significant societal challenge, leading to health issues, social instability, and crime. The NDPS Act addresses this by criminalizing the production, manufacture, possession, sale, purchase, transport, warehousing, use, consumption, import inter-State, export inter-State, import into India, export from India, or transshipment of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, except for medical or scientific purposes. The Act empowers these entities to take measures for the prevention, treatment, rehabilitation, and social reintegration of individuals affected by drug abuse.



Some key aspects of the Act related to drug abuse include:

- **Controlled Substances:** The NDPS Act classifies narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances into different schedules based on their potential harm and therapeutic value. It outlines stringent regulations governing the production, manufacture, possession, sale, purchase, transport, warehousing, use, consumption, import, export, and transshipment of these substances.
- **Punishments and Penalties:** The Act prescribes severe penalties for various offenses related to narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances. Penalties vary based on the quantity of the substance involved, and they include imprisonment and fines. The severity of punishments reflects the government's commitment to deterring illegal activities associated with drug abuse.
- **Exceptions for Medical and Scientific Purposes:** While the NDPS Act imposes strict controls, it recognizes the legitimate use of certain substances for medical and scientific purposes. It establishes provisions for the production, manufacture, possession, sale, purchase, transport, warehousing, use, consumption, import, export, and transshipment of controlled substances for these purposes.
- **Forfeiture of Property:** The Act empowers authorities to seize and forfeit properties derived from or used in connection with drug-related offenses. This includes assets acquired through the proceeds of illegal drug trade.
- **Treatment Rehabilitation:** Recognizing the importance of rehabilitation, the NDPS Act encourages the establishment of treatment and rehabilitation centers for individuals affected by drug abuse. It emphasizes the need for a balanced approach that combines enforcement with measures to prevent and address the health consequences of drug abuse.
- **International Cooperation:** The NDPS Act aligns with international efforts to combat drug trafficking and abuse. It provides mechanisms for cooperation with other countries in investigating and prosecuting offenses related to narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances.
- **Special Courts:** The Act provides for the establishment of special courts to expedite the trial of offenses under the NDPS Act. This is aimed at ensuring swift justice and reinforcing the seriousness with which drug-related offenses are treated.

- **Search and Seizure Powers:** Law enforcement agencies are granted specific powers for the search, seizure, and arrest of individuals involved in drug-related offenses. These powers are essential for enforcing the provisions of the NDPS Act.

Children must not only be given classes on the after effects of drugs, they must also be given awareness on how to recover from it. For that, several methods of overcoming it was put forth before the students.

Several methods of help are available for individuals dealing with drug abuse. These approaches aim to address the physical, psychological, and social aspects of addiction. Some key methods include: 1. Counseling and Therapy:

- **Individual Counseling:** One-on-one sessions with a trained counselor or therapist to address personal issues and triggers for drug abuse.
- **Group Therapy:** Peer support and shared experiences in a group setting can be effective in promoting recovery and reducing feelings of isolation.





## 2. Medical Treatment:

- **Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT):** Certain medications, when used under medical supervision, can help manage withdrawal symptoms and cravings, supporting the recovery process.
- **Detoxification Programs:** Medically supervised programs that help individuals safely manage the physical withdrawal symptoms when discontinuing drug use.

## 3. Inpatient Rehabilitation:

- **Residential Treatment Centers:** Comprehensive, live-in programs that provide a structured environment, counseling, and support to individuals struggling with addiction.

## 4. Outpatient Rehabilitation:

- **Outpatient Programs:** Less intensive than inpatient programs, these involve scheduled appointments for counseling, therapy, and support groups while allowing individuals to maintain their daily routines.

## 5. Support Groups:

- **12-Step Programs:** Groups like Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) and Narcotics Anonymous (NA) provide a supportive environment for individuals to share their experiences and work towards recovery.
- **SMART Recovery:** An alternative to traditional 12-step programs, emphasizing self-empowerment and a science-based approach to recovery.

## 6. Family Therapy:

- **Involving family members** in the recovery process, addressing family dynamics, and providing support for both the individual with substance use disorder and their loved ones.

## 7. Education and Prevention Programs:

- **Community-based programs** and school initiatives aimed at preventing substance abuse through education and awareness.

## 8. Holistic Approaches

- **Incorporating complementary therapies** such as yoga, meditation, and art therapy to address the physical, mental, and spiritual aspects of recovery.

## 9. Recovery Coaching:

- **Peer support** from individuals who have successfully overcome addiction, offering guidance, encouragement, and practical advice.

## 10. Employment and Vocational Support:

- **Programs** that assist individuals in finding and maintaining employment, contributing to a stable and supportive environment.

Successful treatment often involves a combination of these approaches tailored to the individual's unique needs. Seeking help early, having a strong support system, and staying committed to the recovery process are essential components of overcoming drug abuse.



How to help a friend struggling with drug abuse?

**Express Concern Privately**

**Encourage Open Communication**

**Suggest Professional Help**

**Involve Trusted Adults**

**Be Patient and Persistent**

**Offer to Go with Them**

Before concluding the class one among the group was selected and asked to sum-up what was taught in the class. The students got a clear picture on the topic and how it must be dealt with. As a society, fostering open communication, reducing stigma around addiction, and promoting awareness are essential steps in creating an environment where teenagers feel comfortable seeking help. By combining individualized treatment approaches, community support, and a commitment to addressing the root causes of substance abuse, we can strive to create a healthier and more resilient generation, better equipped to navigate the challenges of adolescence and beyond.

#### **H. Child Labour**

The talk on child labor created awareness among students about this illegal practice, its prohibition under law and reporting procedures.

It began by explaining the adverse physical and mental impacts of child labor like health hazards, disease, stress and deprivation from education. The enactment of Child Labor Act and subsequent bans on employing children in certain hazardous occupations were discussed. Exceptions where children can assist families in non-hazardous work were also explained.

Students were informed about duties of inspectors in monitoring child labor law violations and penalties imposed on employers contravening the Act. Mechanisms for filing complaints with local authorities were provided. Students pledged to support education of vulnerable peers who may be pulled into child labor. They also vowed to confidentially report any instances of illegal child employment. The session aimed to instill strong opposition to child labor amongst students.

#### **I. Fundamental Rights and Duties under The Constitution of India**

The educational session on the Indian Constitution created awareness among students regarding the fundamental rights and duties enshrined in it. The presenters first gave an introduction to the Constitution, its structure, key principles such as sovereignty, socialism, secularism, democracy and the preamble. The fundamental rights like right to equality, freedom of speech and expression, freedom of religion, cultural and educational rights etc. were elaborated upon. Students were informed these rights are justiciable and enforceable in a court of law.





The session also covered the fundamental duties covered under Article 51A which highlight responsibilities towards unity, harmony, protecting the environment etc. Examples of how students can uphold these duties were discussed like respecting diversity, conserving resources and having compassion for all. The interrelation between rights and duties was highlighted - responsibility in exercising duties enables enjoyment of rights. The session emphasized that knowledge of the Constitution will allow students to claim their rights as well as encourage them to perform their duties as ethical, engaged citizens.

### **J. Cyber Laws**

The presenters first offered tips on strong passwords, identifying suspicious links, being alert to online scams etc. Overviews of key laws like IT Act and POCSO pertaining to the digital space were provided. Students were informed about cyber crimes like hacking, identity theft, cyber stalking and associated penalties. Laws on child pornographic content were specifically covered to highlight strict action against online predators.

Reporting procedures for cyber crimes were shared, along with cyber cells and helplines to approach. Students were encouraged to use the internet responsibly, respect privacy of others, exercise caution in online interactions and immediately seek assistance if facing any cyber harassment. The session aimed to develop aware digital citizens and ethical computer users amongst students.

#### IV. STREET VENDOR ENGAGEMENT

Traditionally, street vending was a means for people to sell a variety of goods, including fresh produce, snacks, handicrafts, and textiles, to local communities. The practice has its origins in the state's vibrant marketplaces and bazaars. Throughout history, street vending in Kerala has been influenced by the region's trade connections with various cultures, including the Arabs, Chinese, and Europeans. These interactions introduced new products and techniques to street vendors, diversifying the range of goods available. Vendors in Kerala provide all kinds of services ranging from food, and clothes to handicrafts and artifacts that are notable aspects of Kerala's tradition. SM Street in Kozhikode, Fort Kochi area in Ernakulam, Connemara Market in Thiruvananthapuram, etc. are well-known areas in the state where vending thrives, attracting both local customers and tourists. The Government of Kerala has enacted Kerala Street Vendors Rules, 2018 and Kerala Street Vendors Scheme 2019 for smoother conduct of street vending. The local urban governments are given the power to legislate their own bylaws based on regional diversities to make the legal framework more inclusive and accessible.

Through initiatives like interactive surveys, flash mobs, street plays, and legal assistance, the Clinic is actively engaging with vendors to understand their issues and provide them with a platform to voice their concerns. This involvement not only fosters a deeper connection between vendors and their legal rights but also sensitizes the wider community to the invaluable contributions of street vendors, including migrant workers. The Clinic has conducted surveys and promoted the registration of vendors under MSME to create a more inclusive and regulated environment for street vending. By supplying informative pamphlets in multiple languages, the Clinic aims to bridge the gap in understanding the legal framework and rights associated with street vending. The ongoing work of the MGCL Legal Aid Clinic exemplifies the potential for collaboration between legal institutions and local communities to address societal issues. Through their continuous efforts, they are elevating the status of street vendors, enhancing their access to legal resources, and creating an atmosphere that respects and upholds their contributions. As street vending continues to evolve in response to changing times, the Clinic's contributions stand as a testament to the power of grassroots initiatives in bringing about positive change in society.





Sl No.	Subject matter chosen for Street Play for Street Vendors	Reason for choosing subject matter	Venue of Street Play	Number of Street Vendors engaged
	Awareness to the vendors regarding significance of Government machineries and schemes felicitating the Vendors and other concerns of the Street Vending and allied undertaking	To recognise unregister ed Migrant Vendors	Near Padmatheerth am, East Fort, Trivandrum	39

## V. NON-PROFIT PARTNERING

We have partnered with Don Bosco Veedu and Women Empowerment and Human Resource Development Centre as a part of NGO partnering. Don Bosco's work for street children in Trivandrum began in 1991, initially as a night shelter at Bishop Pereira Hall and Chalai Market. The Trivandrum Don Bosco Veedu Society was registered in December 1991, focusing on rescuing and rehabilitating children through a nationwide network. The society provided home placement, legal aid, basic needs, shelter, and education. By 1994, they acquired land in Manacaud, expanding their shelter home and extending support to Karimadom Colony's slum dwellers. Initiatives included education, awareness programs, women's empowerment, financial schemes, and battling social issues like alcoholism and drug abuse. A new shelter, 'Don Bosco Nivas,' was inaugurated in 2002 near the railway station. Presently, they operate ten projects, including CHILDLINE, drug rehabilitation, women empowerment, migrant care, education, and mentoring for orphan children, showcasing a comprehensive approach to upliftment and support for women and children in need. WHI or Women Empowerment And Human Resource Development Centre Of India is a non-profit organisation, established in 1998 that works primarily in the domain of Education, Health, Water, Gender, Child & Youth Development, Tribes, Energy & Environment and Livelihoods

Sl No.	Details of registered NGO partner	Number of days assisted	Brief Description of the Project of the NGO	Venue of assistance	Details of Engagement with Officials from Government, if any	Survey for determining awareness of various government schemes through activities of the NGO
	Don Bosco Childline Veedu	3		Thampanoor		



			<p>Childline is a project in collaboration with the Government. It is a 24-hour free emergency outreach service for children in distress under the ministry of Women and Child Development with the support of NGO and different Government departments. They also have launched railway childline, a joint initiative of Ministries of Women &amp; Child Development and Railways, for the care and protection of run-away, unaccompanied, and trafficked children who come in contact with the railways. Another initiative is the SPARK which aims to reinforce the academic and non-academic competencies of deprived, vulnerable, and semi-orphan children living in their operational areas. The project focuses on a holistic development model offering year-round academic preparation and supplementary education.</p>		<p>They have collaborated with the ministry of railways and ministry of women and child development, for the establishment of railway childline for the care and protection of run-away, unaccompanied, and trafficked children who come in contact with the railways.</p>	
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			<p>Movement In Rebuilding A Career for Life and Education or MIRACLE aims at providing educational support to children whose primary caregivers are not financially sound. Along with financial support, the students are also provided with classes on weekends and holidays that focus on the child's holistic development.</p> <p>Kerala Interstate Migrants Alliance for Transformation (KISMAT) is a collective effort by Don Bosco to reach out to the growing population of young inter-state migrants at risk across 11 districts in the State of Kerala, India, with welfare measures to address exploitation and poor living conditions. They also advocate for the rights of migrants, and create better options at the source areas to reduce forced migration. They have set up Don Bosco Nivas, a residential center intended to provide temporary shelter to at-risk children arriving through railways or rescued by CHILDLINE from</p>		
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			<p>different parts of the district of Trivandrum. They provide a caring and nurturing environment here. Children are provided with emergency shelter, clothing and medication, short-term skill training and long-term rehabilitation services, intervention and Mentoring for Personality Drug Rehabilitation Education And Mentoring (DREAM) is an initiative of the Bangalore Rural Education and Development Society (BREADS) that focuses on rebuilding a drug-free society.</p> <p>SHEROES is a community platform that aims at promoting women empowerment through economic inclusion. Through these programs, women are empowered in knowledge and skill accumulation, income generation, self-organization and development of community groups, improved health status, and education promotion of their children.</p>		
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2.	WHI	15	<p>They work in areas relating to Children, Education &amp; Literacy, Environment and natural resource management, Health &amp; Nutrition, HIV/AIDS, Micro Finance (SHGs), Tribal Welfare, Womens Development &amp; Empowerment, Youth Affairs, etc. The NGO works towards the promotion of sustainable development. They aims to build a women empowered society. The nature of their work ranges from women and child welfare programmes, including health education, family life education, dissemination of information, especially in the context of marginalized and deprived sections, to mobilization of human resources for the development of social, health, education, human rights abuse and famiky welfare programmes from a holistic point of view.</p>	Kowdiar, Trivandrum	Nil
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## NGO PARTNERING SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE - WHI

### 1. Personal details

- 1.1 Name of the party
- 1.2 Age
- 1.3 Gender
- 1.4 Number of children

### 1. Course details

- 2.1 Overseas student/ planning to go
- 2.2 Course
- 2.3 Migrating country
- 2.4 Reason
- 2.5 Source of knowledge regarding the university

- ☐ agent
- ☐ family or friends
- ☐ internet
- ☐ other sources

### 1. Process of going abroad

- 3.1 How did you approach the university?
  - ☐ Agency
  - ☐ Directly
  - ☐ Other modes
- 3.2 How did you process your student visa ?
  - ☐ Agency
  - ☐ Directly
  - ☐ Other modes
- 3.3 Mode of financial support for education

### 1. Experience

- 4.1 What are your plans if the education is not upto your expectations?
- 4.2 Difference in the educational system in India and abroad (in their opinion)
- 4.3 Did the prospect of better job opportunities influenced you to go abroad ?
- 4.4 Challenges faced while studying abroad
- 4.5 Did you face any cultural or linguistic barriers?
  - ☐ yes
  - ☐ no
- 4.6 Plans after studying abroad
- 4.7 Changes in terms of self-reliancy
- 4.8 Will you recommend studying abroad to your friends ?
  - ☐ yes
  - ☐ no



## VI. PROCEEDINGS OF LOK ADALAT

The Department of Women and Child Development provides policy guidance, designs targeted programs and projects for women and children, strengthens capacity development for gender and child rights mainstreaming, and coordinates, monitors, and evaluates effective service delivery, all for the empowerment of women and children. The Home is managed and supported by the Government of Kerala and the Department of Child and Development has held its name high. Widows, Divorced, Deserted, and Destitute Women above 18 years who have nobody to look after are admitted to Mahila Mandiram. Those women approaching the institution with their children are also allowed to stay till their child is 6 yrs old. Subsequently, these children will be accommodated in other welfare institutions and are provided with education and other facilities. Women will also be admitted at the direction of the district probation officers, police officials, court, etc.

The program posted in the Old Age Home had been a felicitous event inaugurated by the Vigilance Judge Shri. Rajgopal sir (Vigilance Judge) and presided over by DLSA Secretary Shamnad (Judge). The Inauguration held at Mahila Mandiram, Poojapura began at 9:30 with all the lighting of Lamp by the members on and off the dais. The volunteers of the session were welcomed to surround the Judge to make reports on the caucus. A fruitful session, but witnessing tears, bitterness, and drama opened a much more empirical picture of the scenarios that quite could not be equipped in the Law Books and their syllabus.





Sl No.	Name of Parties (May be masked)	Venue of Lok Adalat	Summary of the case	Whether Settled amicably in the Lok Adalat?
1.	<i>Suchithra v. Suresh</i>	Old age home, poojapura	The 23-year-old petitioner eloped with a 19-year-old boy and was subsequently sent to Mahila Mandiram. The respondent, Suchitra's father, received a notice for Lok Adalat, reflecting her willingness to return home.	The respondent accepted the petitioner, and the judge appointed a mentor to oversee her future studies.
2.	<i>Sujatha v. Kala</i>	Old age home, poojapura	The daughter of the petitioner, the respondent, was receiving treatment at an established mental rehabilitation facility in Trivandrum. Due to the ongoing dispute between the petitioner and respondent, the police suggested that the respondent move the petitioner to an old age home. Consequently, Sujatha appeared in Lok Adalat, expressing her willingness to return home.	No, the respondent's son appeared at the Lok Adalat and expressed his unwillingness to take the petitioner home.



Sl No.	Name of Parties (May be masked)	Venue of Lok Adalat	Summary of the case	Whether Settled amicably in the Lok Adalat?
3.	<i>Radhakumari v. George Kunnath</i>	Old age home, poojapura	The petitioner, suffering from memory loss, arrived at the old age home with the assistance of the respondent, a complete stranger to her. Upon her arrival, she was carrying a bag containing 7,35,000 rupees. During the Lok Adalat, she pleaded for the transfer of this amount to the respondent.	No, the judge expressed an unwillingness to facilitate the transfer of the money as there were no provisions for such actions, despite the petitioner's plea during the Lok Adalat.
4.	<i>Sulochan v. Ramachandran</i>	Old age home, poojapura	The petitioner, who was battling mental illness, regularly ventured outside the house without the respondent's knowledge. This daily occurrence prompted the decision to shift her to an old age home for proper care and supervision.	No, the respondent was unwilling to bring her home due to his financial incapacity to care for her.



## MINUTES

Date: 18th October 2023

Venue: Mahila Mandiram, Poojapura, Thiruvananthapuram.

Members Present:

1. Shri Rajgopal (Vigilance Judge)
2. Shri S. Shamnad (DLSA Secretary and Presiding Judge)
3. 15 volunteers from MGCL Legal Aid Clinic

This was a special Lok Adalat conducted exclusively to address applications from individuals taking shelter under old age home, Mahila Mandiram (shelter home for women) and home for the physically handicapped situated in Thiruvananthapuram.

The proceedings commenced at 9:30 AM with the lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries on and off the dais.

The DLSA Secretary welcomed the volunteers and requested them to present status reports on their inquiries regarding the registered notices sent to parties and the parties' willingness to attend the Lok Adalat. The volunteers also submitted reports on petitioners' home conditions.

A total of 20 cases were listed for the Lok Adalat. The cases pertained to:

- Family disputes between mothers and their children/grandchildren resulting in their stay at Old Age Homes
- Mothers suffering from mental health issues like dementia
- Abusive relationships between parents and children
- Children turning against grandparents due to parental influence
- Women who left their homes to be with lovers and ended up abandoned

Out of the 20 cases, 4 cases were fully resolved during the Lok Adalat proceedings. This included 3 cases involving elderly women and 1 case involving a youth who had eloped with her lover and ended up at the shelter. All 4 petitioners returned to their respective homes and families after reconciliation.

Out of the remaining 16 cases, some petitioners were content at the Old Age Home, with respondents keeping regular contact through visits. Sending them back was deemed dangerous for their well-being. Based on home condition reports, the panel felt some petitioners were better off staying at the Old Age Home.



The Presiding Judge heard all cases patiently and attempted reconciliation between parties. However, reconciliation could not be achieved in most cases due to years of bitterness, abusive relationships, distrust between family members, etc.

The proceedings concluded at 2 PM after distribution of gifts to mothers at the Old Age Home by officials. Lunch was also arranged for mothers and volunteers. Despite being unable to reunite most mothers with families, the Judge and team strove to bring hope and joy into their lives.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to all members.





## VII. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the Legal Aid Clinic has undertaken a multifaceted and impactful approach towards promoting legal awareness, social justice, and community engagement. The prison proceedings revealed a detailed insight into the challenges faced by inmates, emphasizing the need for comprehensive support systems within correctional facilities. The survey questionnaire designed for prisoners reflects a commitment to understanding their experiences and advocating for their rights. The speed mentoring program showcased the Clinic's dedication to nurturing legal awareness among school students, fostering insightful conversations on critical issues. The engagement with street vendors exemplifies the Clinic's proactive stance in addressing societal concerns, working towards creating an inclusive and regulated environment for their activities.

The collaboration with NGOs like Don Bosco Veed and WHI demonstrates the Clinic's commitment to extending legal aid beyond traditional boundaries, reaching out to vulnerable populations and advocating for their rights. The Lok Adalat proceedings reflect a compassionate and diligent effort to resolve familial disputes and provide support to individuals residing in shelters.

Our Legal Aid Clinic stands as a beacon of legal empowerment and community service. The diverse range of initiatives undertaken reflects a holistic approach towards addressing legal issues, promoting social justice, and fostering positive change in society. The Clinic's unwavering dedication to its mission is evident in its engagement with various segments of the community, making a significant impact on the lives of those in need.

## GALLERY







**DECLARATION FORM****TO BE ATTACHED TO THE FINAL REPORT**

The present report is an independent and original piece of work which highlights the activities carried out by The Legal Aid Clinic of Mar Gregorios College of Law under the guidance and supervision of Mrs. Ushakumari K.G, Vice- Principal, Mar Gregorios College of law by the following Core-Team Members:

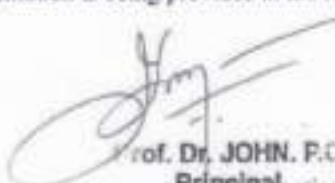
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The activities described in the Report were carried out in pursuance of the Second V.S. Mallar Memorial Legal Aid Competition, 2023 organised by Centre for Environmental Law, Education, Research and Advocacy (CEERA), National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru under the aegis of Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India.

We further declare that the faculty and students mentioned in **ANNEXURE I** to this report were also a part of the exercise.

It is further declared that the information contained in the report is authentic and credible. No misrepresentation or misleading information is being provided in the Report.

Name of the Head of the Institution:

  
Prof. Dr. JOHN. P.C.  
Principal  
Mar Gregorios College of Law  
Thiruvananthapuram, Thiruvananthapuram- 695015

Date: 18/11/2023

Place: THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Name of the Institution:







**ANNEXURE 1 TO DECLARATION FORM  
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List of Other Faculty and Students who supported the Faculty-in-charge and the Core-Team Members

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S.I. No	Name	Designation
1	Mr. M.V. George	Rtd. Judge, Faculty of Law, MGCL
2	Mrs. Anshwarya MU	Assistant Professor, MGCL

**B. STUDENTS**

S.I. No	Name	Designation
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2	Aashim S	5 <sup>th</sup> Year BA LLB
3	Amritha Pillai A.P	5 <sup>th</sup> Year BA LLB
4	Adwait Nair H	5 <sup>th</sup> Year BBA LLB
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**Name of the event:** International Yoga Day

**Date:** June 21, 2023


**Venue:** Yoga Room

**Objective:** To enable the student to have good health, to possess emotional stability, to integrate moral values, to attain higher level of consciousness

## About the event

As part of International Yoga Day (June 21, 2023), the NSS unit of Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira, Trivandrum celebrated Yoga Day in a befitting manner in the campus, to bring awareness about health benefits of Yoga. The program started with a 5min breathing exercise in all the classrooms. 46 students from various classes were assembled in Yoga room for Yoga Session. Robins D. John, NSS Programme Officer shared the history, theme, meaning and importance of Yoga in daily life and welcomed the gathering. Our College Director Adv.Fr. Joseph Venamanath lead the yoga pledge(Yog Front Pledge). The celebration was further initiated with the short speech by the instructor Dr. Chincy Mohan, RMO, Bethany Nature Cure Centre, Nalanchira, Tvm, she said that the art of practicing yoga helps in controlling an individual's mind, body and soul. It also helps in increasing flexibility, muscle strength and body tone. The celebration was followed by practice of Pranayama and some Asanas. Students did various Asanas under the instructions of the yoga instructor Dr. Chincy Mohan. Warm up exercises were taken by all the students, some of the sitting and standing asanas were also performed, importance of these were explained simultaneously. After that a Poster making Competition was also held. The celebration concluded with a short speech by the Programme Officer Robins D. John and he encouraged students to practice regular yoga to remain fit and improve concentration.





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### INTERNATIONAL




# Yoga Day

"YOGA FOR VASUDHAIVA KUDUMBAKAM"



YOGA INSTRUCTOR

Dr. CHINCY MOHAN  
BMO  
Berkang Mahara Coss Centre  
Mallantheera, Thiruvananthapuram







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**Name of the event:** World Blood Donor Day

**Date:** June 14, 2023

**Venue:** General Hospital, Thiruvananthapuram

**Objective:** To educate the community on the beneficial aspects of blood donation and harmful effect of collecting blood from paid donors.

## About the event

To mark the event of world blood donor day, NSS unit of Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira, Trivandrum has successfully organized blood donation drive at General Hospital, Thiruvananthapuram. Our college has been religiously organizing blood donation camps every year, both students and faculty members volunteer for the donation of their blood. While addressing to first-time donors at the camp, our NSS volunteers educated them on the need for blood and the importance of donating blood periodically to assist those in need. It is as such a great service or contribution to the society and people living in it.





# DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY


IN ASSOCIATION WITH  
GENERAL HOSPITAL THIRUVANANTHAPURAM




## Certificate

Sir / Smt / Kum..... *Blessy Biju*

of *MAR GREGORIOS COLLEGE OF LAW, Nalanchira, Trivandrum*  
in recognition to his / her excellency towards contribution for safe blood  
donation movement on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

  
**Superintendent**  
(General Hospital, TVM)



  
**Secretary**  
(Sub Judge), DLSA, TVM





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**Name of the event:** World Environment Day

**Date:** June 05, 2023

**Venue:** State Central Library

**Objective:** Aims to encourage students to act towards protecting the environment.

## About the event

A clean-up drive was organized by the State Higher Education Department in association with the state NSS cell. The main purpose of this programme was to create awareness among the volunteers regarding cleanliness and its benefits. The clean-up drive was formally inaugurated at 10:30 am by the Kerala Minister for Higher Education Dr R Bindu. Every NSS volunteer was provided a set of gloves and a garbage bag to collect the waste materials. Every group was assigned to clean certain part of the State Central Library, so that most of the area of campus could be cleaned effectively. We collected about 10 bags of waste materials from Library premises. The clean-up drive was quite inspiring for all the students. Kerala Minister for Higher Education Dr R Bindu on June 02 informed that all college and university campuses in the state will be declared zero-waste on June 5, World Environment Day. While addressing the NSS volunteers, Dr R Bindu said, "The declaration, as part of Waste-Free Kerala, not only aimed at making campuses waste-and-litter-free but also send the message of waste-free public spaces through awareness activities. Students would be roped in as brand ambassadors of Waste-free Kerala. With the help of NCC and NSS volunteers and in tie-up with local body institutions, students will do house visits and make society aware of waste management."









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**Name of the event:** District Level Awareness Programme on Indian Constitution

**Date:** June 23, 2023

**Venue:** Seminar Hall, Govt. Sanskrit College, Thiruvananthapuram


**Objective:** To spread awareness on the Constitution and India's unity & diversity

**About the event:**

A District level awareness Programme on Indian Constitution was organized to cherish the glory and reaffirm our commitment to uphold the ideology of the Indian Constitution. Smt. Reshma Soman N, Assistant Professor, KLA shared her expertise on the subject. She emphasized the importance of Indian Constitution and its significance, she further highlighted the basic differences of Indian constitution than that of other countries with examples indicating the prerequisites of the constitution such as societal, familial, and individual needs. Our NSS volunteer secretary Amal Soorya P.K compered the programme.









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**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY**

*DISTRICT LEVEL AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON*  
**INDIAN CONSTITUTION**  
*THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DISTRICT*

on 23/06/2023, 09.30 am to 03.30 pm  
 Venue: Seminar Hall,  
 Government Sanskrit College Thiruvananthapuram

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE	
(09.30 am to 10.30 am)	
Prayer	
Welcome	: <b>Dr. Sathiyaraj A.</b> NSS District Coordinator
Presidential Address	: <b>Dr. Harinarayanan M.</b>







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**Name of the event:** Paper Bag Making Competition

**Date:** July 12, 2023

**Venue:** College Auditorium

**Objective:** To promote the use of paper bag and to give the participants a platform to show their creativity.

### About the event:

The NSS Unit of Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira, Trivandrum organized a Paper Bag Making Competition on July 12, 2023. Students showcased their artistic skills and creativity by making beautiful paper bags. There were 22 volunteers who participated in the competition from the College. The purpose of this competition was to stimulate imagination among the students while, at the same time, teach them the value of recycling waste material into something useful and beautiful. The enthusiasm shown by the volunteers was heartening and the competition proved to be a big success.







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BAG DAY  
JULY 12**



**Paper Bag Making Competition**



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**Name of the event:** National Unity Day Pledge and Poster Making Competition

**Date:** October 31, 2023

**Venue:** College Auditorium

**Objective:** Aims to maintain the spirit of "unity in diversity" among the people.

## About the event:

Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira commemorated National Unity Day in honor of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel's birth anniversary. The college's National Service Scheme unit members planned this event. This event will not only spread the motto "Unity in Diversity," but it also instills in the children a respect for and understanding of the nation's diverse past. Students took an active role in the event's planning and demonstrated a strong desire to act as goodwill ambassadors in promoting unity, safety, and security in the country. As a part of this programme, a Poster Making competition was held. The Topic of the Competition was 'Unity In Diversity', the participants had showcased their imagination and creativity in this programme.









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**Name of the event:** SUMANASAM 2023 NSS PO'S MEET

**Date:** July 01, 2023

**Venue:** St. Joseph's College, Iranjalakkuda

## About the event:

The first state-level meeting of the NSS officers meet-up Sumanasam'23 started on July 01, 2023, at St. Joseph College Irinjalakuda. The Higher Education Department Minister R. Bindhu inaugurated the Programme and she further said that Sumanasam'23 was prepared with the aim of making NSS activities more coordinated at the state level and preparing an efficient action plan to connect volunteers to the public. The program officers representing various directorates and universities of Kerala met during this programme. Sumanasam 2023 was initiated to expand NSS activities by upholding the concept of humanity.







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കേരള സർക്കാർ ഉന്നത വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ വകുപ്പ്

# സുമാനസം'23

കേരളത്തിലെ നാലായിരത്തോളം NSS പ്രോഗ്രാം ഓഫീസർസ് സംഗമിക്കുന്നു

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**Name of the event:** World Aids Day

**Date:** December 01, 2023

**Venue:** College

**Objective:** Reduction of Sexually Transmitted Diseases

## About the event

On World AIDS Day, we remember those who have lost their lives and spread awareness about HIV/AIDS and its global spread. Every year on December 1st, the world observes World AIDS Day, a day to remember and raise awareness of the HIV/AIDS pandemic and to honor those who have lost their lives to the illness.

On December 1, 2023, Mar Gregorios College of Law's National Service Scheme (NSS) held a "World AIDS Day Awareness Programme" and displayed an awareness video to all the students. Every student was badged with a red ribbon by the NSS Volunteers when they entered the college. Robins D John, NSS gave a speech regarding the initiative for AIDS awareness and prevention.





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**Unit No: KL-07-158**



# **World Aids Day**

**"LET COMMUNITIES LEAD"**

**01 DECEMBER**





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**Name of the event:** International Seminar

**Date:** November 06, 2023

**Venue:** Sankara Narayan Thampi Hall, Kerala Legislature, Thiruvananthapuram

## About the event

The Kerala Government is preparing to host international seminars and exhibitions to showcase Kerala to the global audience. The seminar discussed the way forward for Kerala in the next 25 years and the policies to be adopted. Prominent persons from different walks of life, including the ambassadors of UAE, South Korea, Norway and Cuba, attended the function. As per the instruction from State NSS Cell, NSS programme Officer Robins D. John participated in the international seminar.







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Higher Education Department  
Government of Kerala

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

HIGHER EDUCATION IN KERALA

CERTIFICATE  
OF PARTICIPATION

Certified that *Robins D John, Assistant Professor*  
*Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira* participated in  
the international seminar "Higher Education in Kerala" organized by the  
Higher Education Department, Government of Kerala in Connection with  
Keraleeyam 2023 on 6th November 2023 held at Sankara Narayanan Thampi  
Hall, Kerala Legislature, Thiruvananthapuram.



Sudhir K IAS  
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**Name of the event:** Manicakal Extension Activity and Legal Awareness

**Date:** December 08, 2023

**Venue:** Manickal Panchayath

## About the event

On December 04, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the conference hall, the Mar Gregorios College's NSS Unit host a Legal Awareness Programme for the CDS members of Manickal Panchayat. D K Murali, MLA inaugurated the session and addressed the gathering by mentioning the need for and importance of legal education. Our Principal Dr. John P.C made the presidential address and talked about our legal rights and how to exercise them. Additionally, he raised awareness of women's household issues and how to resolve them. Ushakumar K.G, Vice Principal, discussed the problems that rural residents are currently facing and how volunteers might support the community for a social cause. Additionally, it clarified the proper way to approach legal services. After the inaugural function, students performed flashmob and street plays to raise awareness about the rights of people.













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**CENTRE FOR WOMEN & LAW, WOMEN DEVELOPMENT CELL**  
**IN ASSOCIATION WITH**  
**INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL, NSS &**  
**LEGAL AID CLINIC**

**16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE**

**EXTENSION PROGRAMME -LEGAL AWARENESS ON**  
**RIGHTS OF WOMEN**

**Venue: MANICKAL GRAMA PANCHAYATH**

**10:00 am on**  
**December 8, 2023**



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**Name of the event:** Farming

**Date:** December 12, 2023

**Venue:** College Farming Land

**Objective:** Recognize the importance and diversity of locally produced plants

## About the event

To educate students about various Organic farming techniques, NSS unit Mar Gregorios College of Law, started various organic farming techniques in the college. Like many other endeavors, we began with an agricultural farm to cultivate in the minds of our younger generation, who were drifting away from the traditional way of life to become couch potatoes, a fondness for agriculture and related activities. Volunteers from the NSS performed tasks ranging from clearing the soil to plowing. Other students who were not part of NSS were fascinated by the activities since they were captivated by the actions of the volunteers. The NSS volunteers cleared large stones and garbage from the area in order to prepare the land. All of the plowing to create pits for planting different vegetables, such as brinjal, lady fingers, numerous snake gourd kinds, chillies, pumpkin, peas, tapioca, and several plantain species, was done by the students themselves.





















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**Name of the event:** Medical Camp organized by State Govt.

**Date:** December 22, 2023

**Venue:** Chala Boys School

**Objective:** To instill helping mentality among students

## About the event

On December 22, 2023, the State Govt. and State National Service Scheme collaborated to host a free one-day medical camp for the general public at Chalai Boys Schol, Tvm. The NSS volunteers played a vital role in making this camp a success with their dedication in serving people, they directed people in all needy way. Our volunteers participated in the success of this programme.















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**Name of the event:** State level Inauguration of Sneharamam

**Date:** January 24, 2024

**Venue:** Womens College, Tvm

## **About the event**

Higher Education Minister R Bindu inaugurated the state level sneharamam parks at Women's College Trivandrum. Around 2,640 Sneharamam Parks are ready and are open to public and the work of 240 parks is in the finishing stages and will be completed soon," said Minister

The NSS units identified the garbage dumpsites in their areas, which could be converted into beautiful green spaces for the public. The objective of the initiative was to strengthen the involvement of NSS units in ensuring responsible waste management in the community. In an effort to maintain them as clean spaces where the public can come and spend some quality time, the NSS volunteers have set up 'pachathuruth', wall art, vertical garden, park and installations at these spots. Mar Gregorios College of Law have set up a beautiful Garden lawn and wall art at Trivandrum Collectorate.











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**Name of the event:** Republic Day

**Date:** January 26, 2024

**Venue:** College

**Objective:** To instill democratic values, cultural richness, and unity in diversity among students

## **About the event**

NSS students and staff members celebrated Republic Day in college campus on 26.01.2024 at 8:00 AM. The programme started with welcome of chief guest and Flag Hoisting by the Director and Principal Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira. The Director and the Academic Advisor gave a speech on importance of Republic Day to the students. After the formal function sweets and tea was distributed to the students and faculties.





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**Name of the event:** Debate Competition

**Date:** January 29, 2024

**Venue:** College Seminar Hall

**Objective:** To promote problem solving and innovative thinking among students

## **About the event**

The NSS unit of Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira conducted a Debate competition in association with YWCA Trivandrum on Topic “Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights. The aim of organizing the debate competition was to hone the public speaking skills of the students and teach them to be articulate while expressing their thoughts and opinions. Points presented were accepted by the spectators with cheers and claps. Some of the points even made us think about the facts. There was so much talent in the room. The event showcased the impressive talents of our students as they engaged in thought-provoking debates on the topic, 8 teams participated in this competition.

Prizes were distributed as follows:

First Prize - Rs.2000/ Second Prize - Rs.1000/



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## "DEBATE COMPETITION"

TOPIC:  
"Sexual & Reproductive Health and Rights" OR  
Sexual and Gender Based Violence.  
On 30th Jan: 2024, 10:00 AM  
College Seminar Hall

Each Team  
Consist of Two Members



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**Name of the event:** Face-to-face Meeting with CM

**Date:** February 26, 2024

**Venue:** College Seminar Hall

**Objective:** To promote problem solving and innovative thinking among students

## About the event

In association with face-to-face meeting with the Hon. Chief Minister of Kerala, 10 volunteers from our campus took part in the meeting to assist the handicapped persons. The Kerala State Handicapped Persons Welfare Corporation called a meeting in Thiruvananthapuram to provide instructions prior to the program. State NSS Officer Dr. Anzer RN Sir, Sri Brahma Nayakam Mahadevan Sir, and other dignitaries were present over the meeting.







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**Name of the event:** Leadership Training Camp- "Prabodha 2023"

**Date:** December 24, 2023- 26, 2023

**Venue:** TKM College of Arts and Science, Kollam

**Objective:** To inculcate leadership quality among students

## About the event

Day 1 (24-11-2023)

3 Day Leadership Training Camp "Prabodha 2023" for the year 2023 was conducted at TKM College of Arts and Science, Kollam. On the first day, State NSS Officer Dr. Anzer RN sir inaugurated and College Principal, NSS Trainer Sri Brahma Nayakam Mahadevan talked on the programme.

Day 2 (25-11-2023)

On the second day, in morning session of Sri Brahma Nayakam divided and formed the students into different groups and told what an NSS leader should be. The session ended with different activities and games. Another session was conducted by Sri Biju Simon Sir, Director of Ether India, Dr. Hari GV Sir, took very entertaining classes. The day ended with cultural programs from each groups.

Day 3 (26-11-2023)

The 3rd day started with very informative classes, a group session on the future and plans of NSS can bring in under the leadership of Brahma Nayakam sir, in the afternoon "Prabodha 2023" concluded with valedictory function and certificate distribution.









