

LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)



DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

in collaboration with

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU

cordially invites you to the

Photo Exhibition & Special Lectures Series
on

KEELAII EXCAVATIONS

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*Photo Exhibition will be open to all from 20th to 22nd November



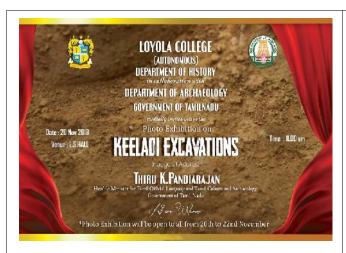
Report of the Keeladi Excavation Photo Exhibition

The Department of History conducted Photo Exhibition on Keeladi archaeological Excavation on 20th November 2019. This exhibition is conducted with the collaboration of Department Of Archaeology Government of Tamilnadu. The Programme commenced at 11:00 A.M in the Lawrence Sundrum Hall. The programme started with the inauguration of Photo Exhibition on Keeladi Excavations by *K. Pandyarajan*, *Honorable Minister for Tamil Official Language and Tamil Culture and Archaeology*.

Honorable Mnister K. Pandiarajan addressed the gathering with his Inaugural address. He stated after the Keeladi Excavation the importance of Archeology has been augmented. Now good number of students are aspiring to get a career in Archeology. The number of Tourist also has increased in 10 folds and rose up to 10000 in just couple of months of the Keeladi exploration. Further he explained the latest development in Keeladi Explorations during fifth phase of excavation in Keeladi. Modern Technology and Engineering advancement have been applied for excavation. Luminescence dating was applied to ascertain the date of the relics found in the excavations. He stated that the evidences from Keeladi will help us to trace the History of Ancient Tamilagam of 580 BCE. Through the excavations we were able to understand better the economic position of the people during this period. Evidences about the Textile Industry and good quality of clothing are also not able findings of the Keeladi excavation as stated by Minister. The inscription unearthed from Keeladi also has some resemblances with the inscriptions founded from the Indus Valley site, Lothal. Keeladi excavation and findings have created a new era in the annals of Archaeology in India. The honourable Minister concluded his Speech by highlighting the scope of employment for the young aspirants of History in the Department of Archaeology and Museum. Later in his press interview he shared the Government's

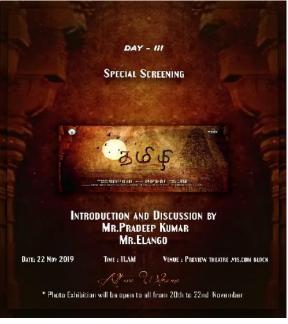
proposal in funding a Museum at Keeladi with the Budget of 12.5 Crores. Dr. D. Anuradha, Head, Department of History, welcomed the gathering and Professor. J. Ranganathan, Coordinator proposed the Vote of Thanks.

Three Days Events Were:









VISUAL REPORT









