

## **Convention of Federation of the Livelihood Rights of Widows - Tamil Nadu**

A convention of “Federation of the livelihood rights of widows - Tamil Nadu” was organised by Loyola College in association with Federation of the Livelihood Rights of Widows - Tamil Nadu on June 02, 2018 (Saturday). It is an awareness campaign on demands of rights and dignity for widows. Rev. Fr. A. Kulainthaisamy, Director, Kalaingarai, Nagai along with the department of School of Learning, Loyola College was instrumental in giving voice to the demands by enacting the plight of the widows. The powerful performance encouraged some women to take to the stage to put flowers in their head and wear kumkum.

Ms. BalaBharathi, the Chief Guest, encouraged the event saying, “It sets a platform for demanding a separate directorate for the widows under the Social Welfare Department and passing a bill to simplify the process of obtaining a widow certificate”. Around 1200 widows from about 17 districts also took an oath to stay strong and united and vowed to get them educated without any discrimination based on religion, caste and social status.