Loyola College (Autonomous)

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Debate in Tamil enchanted the audience at Loyola College under the auspice of Chennai Literary Festival

A medley debate in Tamil on current affairs like commercialization of essential commodities and services like water, education, procuring methane gas at the expense of cultivating lands, role of youth in politics, prohibition, globalization and many more topics was held among the city college students to uphold the tradition of oratorical skills and sensitize reading habits among the students. The second day event of Chennai Literary Festival 2016 was organized at Loyola College. The Chief Guest, Rev. Dr. G. Joseph Antony Samy, S.J. Principal, Loyola College, Chennai applauded the organizers' effort to inculcate the literary taste and reading habits among the students. Dr. Parveen Sultana, popular and well known orator in Tamil moderated the entire debate. Ms. Vasumathy Marimuthu, Rotarian was the guest of Honour. About 40 debaters participated in the debate from various city colleges. A cash award of Rs. 5,000, 3000, 2000 for the first three places and four category awards of Rs. 2000 each were distributed to the winners.



Rev. Dr. G. Joseph Antony Samy, S.J. Principal, Loyola College, the chief Guest for CLF Debate in Tamil



Ms. Vasumathy Marimuthu, Rotarian, the guest of Honour, for CLF Debate in Tamil

Also a state level workshop on "Internet Tools for Teaching and Learning" was organized by WEPRO in association with Department of English, Loyola College, and Chennai Literary Association on February 18, 2016 in LS Hall. The objectives of the workshop were to enhance the learners in available online recourses and develop self-learning materials for teaching and learning purposes.

Dr. K.S. Antonysamy, Director, WEPRO and Associate Professor of English, Loyola College who coordinated the event on behalf of Department of English, Loyola College and Chennai Literary Association in his introductory address said that endeavoring to create a confluence of literature and art forms, Chennai Literary Festival is organised for the third time in the city. He added that as a means of promoting language skills and other related academic and life skills, workshops on Virtual learning, Acting, Storytelling, Copy editing, Reading Skills, Theatre workshop, Painting and Literature, etc. are organized for all students of the city colleges at free of cost. The objective is to provide a platform for discussion on literature from local to global, to bring writers from different domains for cross-pollination of ideas, to bring out new creative works, to facilitate and promote the values of native literature in other parts of the world and so on.



Dr. Parveen Sultana, the moderator of CLF Debate in Tamil



Participants of CLF Debate in Tamil



Rev. Dr. G. Joseph Antony Samy, S.J. Principal, Loyola College, the chief Guest addresses the participants of CLF Debate in Tamil



Dr. Joseph Chandra, H O D, Department of English, Loyola College inaugurates workshop on "Internet Tools for Language Learning"

Dr. Joseph Chandra, H O D, Department of English, Loyola college inaugurated the workshop and gently reminded the participants of the need for ethical perspectives in using Internet resources. He also encouraged them to explore the resources available in Internet for optimization of language learning.



Dr. K.S. Antonysamy, Director, WEPRO introduces the dynamics of ITLL

Dr. W. Mangayarkarasi, Associate Professor of English, Ethiraj College for Women, Chennai, one of the resource persons elaborated the importance of *Social Media & Blogging for Teaching and Learning purposes* and demonstrated some of the learning aspects of face book and blogs.

Mr. Sakthi Prasath GB, Research Scholar, EFLU, Meghalaya dealt with *Materials Development in Second Language Teaching and Learning* and gave the participants hands-on experience on harnessing the Google drive for language teaching and learning.



Mr. Olivannan, the founder President of CLA and CLF & Emerald Publisher addresses the participants

Mr. Olivannan, the founder President of CLA and CLF & Emerald Publisher motivated the participants with the pep talk and reiterated the need for such workshops to be regularly conducted for students and staff.

43 Participants from Loyola College, CTTE College, Quade Milleth College, Dr. MGR Women Hr. Sec. School for Special Children, Agarsen College, MCC, Ethiraj College, D. G. Vaishnav College, JBAS College for Women, SDNB College and Alpha Arts and Science College benefitted out of this programme. Teacher Participants from Dr. MGR Women Hr. Sec. School for Special Children appealed to the fellow participants to let them know how best the internet resources could be used for teaching the special children in their school. Varghese, one of the M. Phil students proposed vote of thanks.



Participants of ITLL Workshop along with Dr. W. Mangayarkarasi and Mr. Sakthi Prasath, the resource persons