

## **CAJ STUDENT VOLUNTEERED AT THE CHENNAI INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR (CIBF) 2023**

The School Education Department of the Government of Tamil Nadu organized the first edition of the Chennai international book fair (CIBF) from 16th to 18th January 2023 at the YMCA ground, Nandanam, Chennai.

CIBF is a platform for publishers and writers across the world to buy and sell copyrights of their intellectual works. Authors and publishers from 30 countries displayed some of their best literary and non-fiction works at the fair. Tamil Nadu school education minister Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi, launched the fair. Mrs. Tamilachi Thangapandian, author and DMK Member of Parliament, and Dindigul I. Leoni, Chairman of Tamil Nadu Textbook and Educational Services Corporation, participated in the inauguration.



The organising committee invited journalism and visual communication students of Loyola College, Stella Maris College, and Women's Christian college to volunteer at the venue. This was a great learning experience for budding journalists. Encouraging students to participate in such a grand event and giving them allowance and certificates is a laudable move by the Tamil Nadu government.



Students from the nearby YMCA school visited the book fair.

365 memorandums of understanding were signed and exchanged in the presence of the Tamil Nadu chief minister Mr. M.K. Stalin on the 18 of January.

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