

பொங்கல் Celebration 2025 – A Grand Tribute to Tradition & Culture

Loyola College, a distinguished institution with a rich 100-year legacy, celebrated the harvest festival of Pongal with grandeur and cultural splendor on January 11, 2025 (Saturday). The event was a beautiful blend of tradition, unity, and festivity, where students and faculty came together to honor Tamil culture with immense joy and enthusiasm.

The celebration reflected the theme "Manmanam," symbolizing the nativity, originality, and cultural heritage, reinforcing the deep-rooted traditions that define this vibrant festival.

The college campus was transformed into a lively and colorful hub of activity, with students dressed in traditional attire enhancing the festive atmosphere. The air resonated with the beats of traditional music, folk songs, and energetic dance performances, creating an aura of joy and cultural pride.

A wide range of traditional competitions were organized, bringing out the festive spirit among students. Exciting contests such as the Pongal-making competition, Rangoli competition, Sugarcane-eating competition, Uriyadi (pot-breaking) engaged students and highlighted their enthusiasm in embracing Tamil traditions. One of the major attractions was the bullock cart ride, which offered students a nostalgic rural experience, connecting them to the agricultural roots of the festival.

UG and PG students working together harmoniously to prepare the traditional Pongal
The Department of Commerce celebrated the occasion in a grand and graceful manner, with bothish. The sweet aroma of freshly made Pongal filled the air, symbolizing prosperity and unity. Their collective efforts showcased their team spirit and cultural pride.



The students captured these special moments through group photos, laughter, and dancing, adding to the joy of the day. Their creativity and dedication were also recognized as the department proudly secured 3rd place in the Rangoli competition, a testament to their artistic skills and enthusiasm.

Faculty members, secretaries, and volunteers played an instrumental role in ensuring the smooth execution of the events. Their unwavering support and encouragement helped make the celebration a resounding success. The participation of students from various departments further enriched the event, showcasing the true essence of unity in diversity.

The valedictory ceremony marked the end of the grand celebration, with winners of various competitions being honored and appreciated for their efforts. As the event concluded, students left with hearts full of joy, carrying the spirit of Pongal with them.

In every way, Pongal 2025 at Loyola College was a memorable and enriching experience, spreading positivity, happiness, and cultural awareness throughout the campus. The event reinforced the values of togetherness, gratitude, and celebration of nature's bounty, making it a cherished moment.

