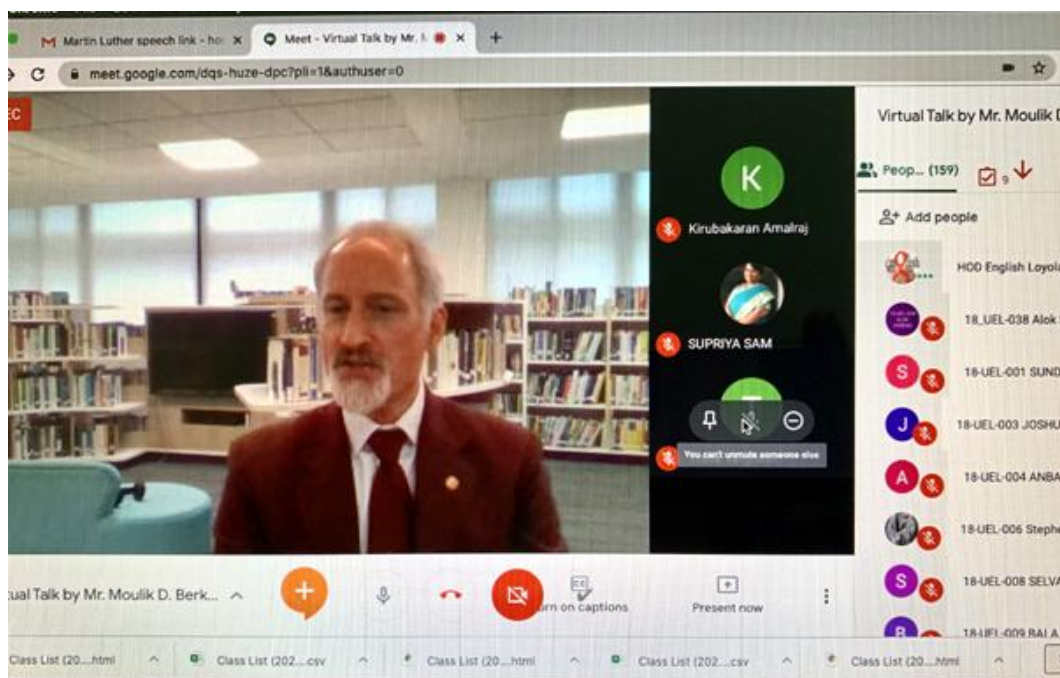


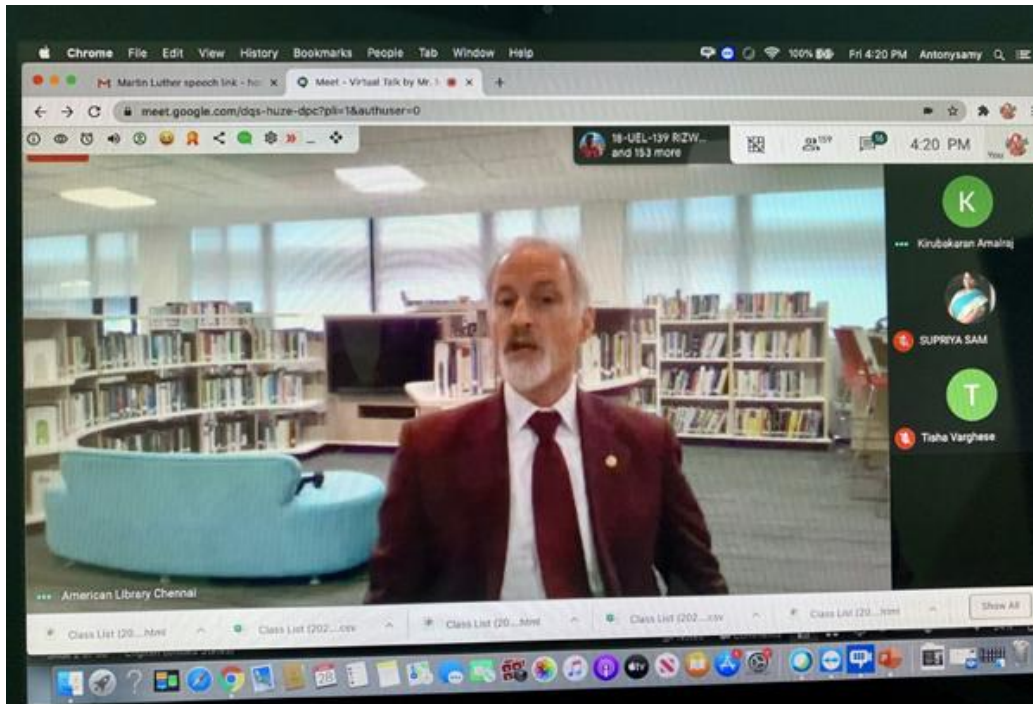
A Virtual Talk on The Enduring Relevance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr

A Virtual Talk on *The Enduring Relevance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr's Dream: Commemoration of "I Have a Dream" Speech* was jointly organized by Loyola College (Autonomous) and American Center, U. S. Consulate General, Chennai on August 28, 2020 to commemorate "I Have a Dream" speech delivered by Martin Luther King, Jr on August 28, 1963.



The virtual talk was organized on Google Meet and Mr. Moulik D. Berkana, Acting Cultural Affairs Officer, U. S. Consulate General, Chennai delivered the talk. Dr. K. S. Antonysamy, Head, Department of English, Loyola College highlighted the relevance of the precious moment, introduced Mr. Moulik D. Berkana, Acting Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Consulate General

in Chennai, the chief guest. Dr. Annam Ragamalika, President, English Literary Association formally welcomed the gathering.



Mr. Moulik D Berkana, addressed the participants with the fascinating Power Point Presentation and encapsulated the importance and significance of the speech "I have a Dream" by Martin Luther King, Jr. The emphasis was laid on the important points from the speech like: "I have a dream that one day the Red Hills of Georgia, the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood...I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character...One day right here in Alabama little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers."



Mr. Moulik also compared Martin Luther King with Mahatma Gandhi and explained the influence of Gandhian principles in Luther King's life. Mr. Moulik engaged in an intense discussion session with the participants to reiterate how the bilateral relationship between USA and India still continues. Mr. Kirubakaran, Mr. Tipston, Mr. Leo Joseph and Ms. Tisha Varghese played their due roles to ensure the success of the programme.