



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI-600034

Department of Advanced Zoology & Biotechnology

Cordially invites you to

**A National Seminar-cum-Awareness Programme on
ZONOTIC DISEASES - MONSOON PREPAREDNESS &
DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AMONG COLLEGE STUDENTS**



**Empowering Students for Protecting Chennai from
Emerging Health & Climate Challenges**



23rd September 2026

LS-Hall, Loyola College, Chennai-600034



Chief Guests & Invited Speakers



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INAUGURATION

- 8.30 am : Registration
9.00 am : Thamizh Thai Vazhthu & Prayer Song
9.05 am : Lighting of the Lamp
9.05 am : Welcome Address- **Dr.V.Pushpa Rani-HOD**
9.10 am : Honouring and Felicitation:
Rev. Dr. J. Antony Robinson, S.J. - Rector
Rev. Dr. D.Thomas Alexander, S.J. - Secretary and Correspondent
Rev. Dr. A. Louis Arockiaraj, S.J. - Principal
- 9.30 am : Dynamics of the Conference - **Dr. P. Nallamuthu** - Convener
9.35 am : Unveiling the Proceedings and Abstract
9.40 am : Chief Guests Address
Dr.J.Radhakrishnan IAS,
Additional Chief Secretary,
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Dr.G.S.Sameeran IAS,
Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation, Chennai-600003.
- 10:40 am : Vote of thanks **Dr. M. Balachandar-Co-Convener**

- 11.00 AM : **INAUGURATION OF**
LOYOLA - DISASTER SAFETY FORCE (LDSF) AND AWARENESS RALLY ON
ZONOTIC DISEASES, MONSOON PREPAREDNESS AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

- 11:25 am : Tea Break & Poster Display / Paper presentation-Assessment
11: 40 am : Invited Talk-1 : **Dr. V.R. Durai, Scientist- F / Head**
Area Cyclone Warning Center, India Meteorological Department, Chennai-06
- 12:00 pm : Invited Talk- 2 : **Dr. R. P.Aravindh Babu, Assistant Professor,**
Centre for Animal Health Studies,
Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University,
Madhavaram, Chennai – 600 051.
- 12:30pm : Invited Talk-3 : **G.Sundarrajan, Poovulagin Nanbargal, Environmental activist**
1:15 pm : Lunch Break
2:15 pm : **Fire Prevention & Emergency Rescue Mock Drill**
Tamil Nadu Fire and Rescue Services, Government of Tamil Nadu

VALEDICTORY

- 3.30 pm : Prayer song
3.35 pm : Welcome Address – **Dr V. Puspa Rani, HOD**
3.40 pm : Chief guests & Valedictory Address
Dr.Arulvasu, Controller of Examinations i/c University of Madras
Dr.J.Joel Gnanadoss, Dean - Research & Development, Loyola College, Chennai - 600 034.
- 4.00 pm : Prize Distribution
4.10 pm : Feedback from the participants
4.15 pm : Concluding remarks by Co-Convener - **Dr.M.Balachandar**
4.30 pm : Vote of thanks by Organizing Secretary – **Dr. A.J. Renilda Sophy**
4.35pm : National Anthem



<https://erp.loyolacollege.edu/loyolaonline/conference>

ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

IMPORTANT DATES & REGISTRATION



Last Date for Registration: 22/09/2026
Registration Fee: Students : Rs.200
Research Scholar & Others: Rs. 300
(Registration fee includes: Tea & Lunch)

Zoonotic

Diseases

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Scientists, faculty members, research scholars, and students engaged in the thrust areas of one health are invited to submit abstracts in the prescribed format given.

Suggested Abstract Themes

- Emerging and Re-emerging Zoonotic Diseases: Challenges and Emerging Threats
- One Health Approach to Zoonotic Disease Prevention and Control
- Rabies Prevention and Control; Towards Zero Human Deaths by 2030
- Climate Change and the Emergence and Spread of Infectious Diseases
- Monsoon-Associated Diseases: Prevention, Surveillance and Public Health Preparedness
- Floods, Water Contamination and Water-Borne Diseases
- Vector-Borne Diseases and Integrated Vector Management
- Urbanisation, Environmental Change and Public Health Risks in Chennai
- Disaster Risk Reduction, Emergency Preparedness and Community Resilience
- Role of College Students and Youth Volunteers in Disaster Preparedness and Response
- Digital Technology, GIS, Artificial Intelligence and Early-Warning Systems for Disease and Disaster Management
- Community Awareness, Risk Communication and Sustainable Health Practices for Climate-Resilient Communities
- You are most welcome to send in TAMIL too.

Instructions

Abstracts must be submitted on or before 20th September 2026. The abstract should be within 250 words, and the title should be relevant to the theme of the conclave, kindly adhere to a zero plagiarism. The abstract must contain the title of the paper, name, designation, institution, Email ID and phone number of the first author and name, affiliation, city and state of additional authors. The abstract should be in MS Word format (Times New Roman, font size 12, with 1.5 line spacing). The selected papers will be published with ISBN.

Send the Abstracts to E-mail: icb1002026@gmail.com

ECO-FRIENDLY POSTER COMPETITION

The size of the poster should be 2.5 feet (height: 30 inches) x 1.7 feet (width: 21 inches), neatly prepared and readable from a distance of 3 feet. Completed chart can be brought the date of event

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IMPORTANT EVENTS

- INVITED LECTURES
- AWARENESS RALLY (IN-CAMPUS)
- INAUGURATION OF- LOYOLA- DISASTER SAFETY FORCE (LDSF)
- PAPER PRESENTATIONS & COMPETITIONS (POSTER MAKING)
- MOCK DRILL BY TAMIL NADU FIRE & RESCUE SERVICES.

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- **Dr. Vishwanathan**, National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management, Ministry of Environment, Anna University.



About the SEMINAR



The National Seminar-cum-Awareness Programme focuses on protecting Chennai from emerging health and climate-related challenges. It aims to create awareness among college students about zoonotic diseases, monsoon-related health risks, disaster preparedness, and climate resilience. The programme highlights the importance of the One Health Approach, personal hygiene, vector control, safe water practices, emergency response, and first aid. By equipping students with essential knowledge and practical awareness, the seminar seeks to strengthen community preparedness and empower young people to contribute to healthier, safer, and more resilient communities. Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) is essential for preparing college students to respond effectively to floods, cyclones, fires, heat waves, epidemics and other emergencies. As a large and active youth community, students can serve as trained volunteers and first responders in their colleges and communities. The programme will promote awareness on emergency preparedness, first aid, evacuation, early warning, rescue and community resilience, helping build a safer, healthier and disaster-resilient Chennai.

The Loyola Disaster Safety Force (LDSF) will create a culture of safety, preparedness and resilience within the Loyola community. It will train student volunteers in first aid, emergency response, evacuation, fire safety and disaster preparedness.



About TNSCST

The Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology (TNSCST), Chennai, is a state-level organization dedicated to promoting science, technology, research, and innovation across Tamil Nadu. The Council supports scientific initiatives, research projects, technology development, and capacity-building programmes aimed at addressing regional and societal challenges. It encourages the application of science and technology for sustainable development and supports researchers, students, academic institutions, and organizations through various programmes and initiatives. TNSCST plays an important role in strengthening the scientific ecosystem of Tamil Nadu and fostering innovation for the benefit of society.



About Loyola College

Loyola College, Chennai, is a premier institution of higher education known for its commitment to academic excellence, holistic development, and social responsibility. Established in 1925, the college has built a strong legacy of excellence in teaching, research, innovation, and community engagement. With a diverse range of undergraduate, postgraduate, and research programmes, Loyola College provides an enriching environment that encourages students to develop knowledge, skills, and values. The institution continues to inspire generations of learners through its dedication to education, leadership, service, and sustainable development.

About the PG & Research Department of Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology

The Department of Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology at Loyola College, Chennai, is committed to excellence in teaching, research, and innovation in the life sciences. The department offers postgraduate and research programmes that provide students with strong theoretical knowledge and practical expertise in zoology, biotechnology, and related fields. With a focus on contemporary biological research, biodiversity, conservation, molecular biology, and biotechnology, the department encourages scientific curiosity and interdisciplinary learning. Through advanced laboratory facilities, research activities, and academic collaborations, the department strives to nurture skilled researchers and contribute meaningfully to scientific advancement and societal development.

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