













SPECIAL LECTURE ON COMMEMORATING THE 75th ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

The Department of History at Loyola College organized a special lecture to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The event took place on December 10, 2024, from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM at MRF Hall. The distinguished speaker for the occasion was Mr. Arun Kasi, Advocate at the Madras High Court. The convener for the lecture was Dr. R. Xavier, Assistant Professor, Department of History.



<u>Objective of the Lecture</u> The primary objective of the lecture was to raise awareness among students about the significance of human rights and their practical applications in daily life.

The event aimed to educate students on various human rights legislations, historical milestones, and landmark judicial cases that have shaped the human rights landscape in India.



Proceedings of the Event

The event commenced with an invocation seeking divine blessings through a prayer song, followed by the rendition of the Tamil Thai Valthu by the department choir team.

Dr. Arputha Selvi, Head of the Department of History, delivered the welcome address, expressing gratitude to the participants and emphasizing the importance of human rights in contemporary society. Following this, the Chief Guest, Mr. Arun Kasi, was honored with a shawl and a memento by Mr. Jayakanth, Cultural Secretary of the Loyola History Association.

Dr. R. Xavier, President of the Loyola History Association, introduced the Chief Guest, highlighting his contributions to the legal field and human rights advocacy.





Key Highlights of the Lecture

Mr. Arun Kasi began his speech by providing a brief historical overview of human rights. He emphasized key aspects of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), adopted by the United Nations on December 10, 1948. His lecture covered significant legislations and landmark cases related to human rights in India:



Interactive Session

Following the lecture, the floor was opened for a Q&A session, where enthusiastic students posed queries related to human rights issues. The Chief Guest addressed these questions with clarity, providing insights into legal interpretations and practical implications of human rights laws.





Conclusion and Vote of Thanks

The session concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks delivered by the event organizers. The Chief Guest, Head of the Department, faculty members, and students were acknowledged for their participation and contributions to making the lecture a success. The event left a lasting impact on the attendees, reinforcing the importance of human rights in shaping a just and equitable society.



The special lecture by Mr. Arun Kasi proved to be an enlightening and thought-provoking experience for students, inspiring them to advocate for human rights and contribute to societal progress.