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## CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMEMORATIVE DAYS, EVENTS AND FESTIVALS 2016 - 2017

**INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY:** International Yoga Day was observed by the NCC Unit on 21 June 2016. 82 cadets performed Yoga in the Playground under the guidance of ANO Lt. Dr. Antony Amala Jayaseeli.

NCC Cadets in *Vakrasana* (The Spinal Twist Posture), increases spine flexibility.



**EID CELEBRATION:** EID was celebrated on 5 July 2016. Dr. B. Vinosha, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, delivered the Ramzan Message, followed by the cultural programmes marking the significance of Ramzan.

**WORLD POPULATION DAY:** On 11 July 2016 to mark World Population Day the students of the Department of Sociology and Social Work performed Oyilattam and Street Play on “the Evils of over Population” on campus and also in the nearby villages.



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**WORLD BREASTFEEDING WEEK:** The Department of Home Science with Food Biotechnology celebrated the World Breastfeeding Week on 2 September 2016. Dr. Helen Jebasingh, Ashirvatham Speciality Hospital delivered a Special Lecture on “Breastfeeding: A Key to Sustainable Development.”



**TEACHERS' DAY:** Teacher's Day was celebrated on 6 September 2016. Dr. P. T. R. Palanivel Thiagarajan, Member of the Legislative Assembly, Tamil Nadu delivered the Teachers' Day Address.

**NATIONAL NUTRITION WEEK:** The Department of Human Nutrition and Nutraceuticals organised NUTRIFEST 2016: “Better Nutrition: Eat right with Delight” on 8 September 2016 to mark the National Week of Nutrition. Dr. V.





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Ramanujam M.D, Professor, Head, Dept. of Psychiatry, Vellammal Medical College, Madurai, delivered the Valedictory Address.

**INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY:** The AICUF students performed a street play on “Importance of Education” on 8 September 2016 marking International Literacy Day. After the completion of play, the session ended with AICUF oath.



Women Empowerment Animation and Training (WEAT) celebrated World Literacy Day by creating awareness on “The Education for Girl Children” in Kulamangalam Village.

**MUTHAMIZHVIZHA:** The Research Centre of Tamil organised “MuthamizhVizha” from 10 to 12 September 2016. Ms. Vasuki Monoharan delivered a lecture on “தடையமீறித் தடம் பதிப்போம்” (Achieve Transcending Barriers). Dr. S. Sagadhevan delivered a lecture on “இணையற்ற இணையத்தமிழ்” (Salient Features of Tamil Language) on 12 September 2016.

**STREET THEATRE PROGRAMME ON CHILD PROTECTION:** The Department of Sociology and Social Work in collaboration with DCPU, organized a Street Theatre programme on child protection, highlighting child abuse, neglect and exploitation on 18 September 2016. They performed street plays on “child protection” Periyar Bus stand, Railway Station, Meenakshi Temple, Annai Sathya Children’s Home, Auxiliam Children’s Home, LPNI Children’s Home and Mattuthavani Bus Stand, Madurai.



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**ELDERS' DAY:** The students of the Department of Sociology and Social Work sensitized the people on the problems faced by elders by performing street plays in two villages, Thirumalnatham and Sathymoorthy Nagar on 1 October 2016.



The students of the Department of Home Science celebrated “Elder’s Day” in *Thandalai* village on 18 October 2016



**COMMEMORATION OF MOTHER TERESA’S CANONISATION:** Mother Teresa’s canonisation was commemorated on 20 October 2016. Sr. Salomi, Mother Superior, (Sr. of Missionaries of Charity) “Annai Illam” Madurai, and Dr. A. Therese Pushpam, Associate Professor of Physics projected the saint in her. The





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staff and the students of the College offered monetary and material assistance to the inmates of “Annai Illam”.

**DEEPAVALI CELEBRATION:** Deepavali was celebrated on 20 October 2016. Dr. K. Latha, Associate Professor of Tamil delivered the Deepavali Message. The students entertained the audience with various cultural programmes.

On 12 November 2016, Women Empowerment Animation and Training (WEAT) Centre celebrated Children’s Day in the College Campus. 145 students from different villages participated in various competitions and cultural events. Rev. Dr. Sr. Francisca Flora, Secretary, Fatima College was the Chief Guest.

**COMMUNAL HARMONY:** To instill a sense of peaceful-coexistence, mutual respect, amity and brotherhood amongst the diverse segments of students at our college. Communal Harmony Week is celebrated during 19 - 25 November 2016. On 24 November 2016, there was a massive peace gathering ceremony in front of the College, wherein the students of NSS, NCC and Physical Education wings formed a human chain creating outline of India. Rev. Dr. Sr. K. Fatima Mary, Principal, Fatima College, presided over the function and all the staff and students took oath to promote peace and communal harmony.

**WORLD AIDS DAY:** World Aids Day was observed on 1 December 2016. District RRC volunteer member Mr. Jeyapandi, an HIV positive patient, gave an awareness talk.





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**TRIBUTE TO FORMER CHIEF MINISTER DR. J. JAYALALITHAA:** A prayerful homage was paid to the Former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Dr. J. Jayalalithaa on 19 December 2016.

**GRANDPA-MA FEST:** The Department of Sociology and Social Work organized “Grandpa-ma Fest” on 12 December 2016. Ms. R. Anandhavalli, District Social Welfare Officer, Madurai delivered the Keynote Address. As part of the Fest, Free Medical Camps were also organized. Dr. N. Rukmani, MBBS, DGO, Joint Director (Health Service) Madurai also spoke.



Free Eye Camp -Vasan's Eye Care    Free Health Check-up – Vellamal Hospital





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**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION:** Rev. Fr. YesuKarunanidhi, Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune delivered the Christmas message on 23 December 2016.

**PONGAL CELEBRATION:** In an attempt to share their joy with the poor and the orphaned the outgoing students celebrated the Pongal Day on 28 January 2017.

**TRADITIONAL FOOD FEST:** The Department of Computer Science celebrated “Traditional Food Fest” organised by II year Computer Science students on 2 February 2017.

**FRENCH FEST:** Language – Part-I French celebrated the French Day on “TOUS ENSEMBLE” on 15 February 2017. Alice JosepheMarignane, Musicienne Art Therapute, Marselille, France, was the Resource Person.

**HINDI DAY:** Language – Part-I Hindi celebrated the Hindi Day, on “SANSKRITI” on 21 February 2017. Dr. A. Saframma, Head & Asst. Prof., Dept. of Hindi, The American College, Madurai was the Chief Guest.

**RAMANUJAN DAY:** The Department of Mathematics (SF) celebrated “Ramanujan Day” on 22 February 2017. Dr. P. Amalorpava Mary, Retd. Professor, Department



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of Mathematics, Fatima College, Madurai. Dr. A. Wilson Baskar, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, S. N. College, Madurai, were the Resource Persons.



**NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY:** The Dept. of Physics organized the National Science Day on Science and Technology for Specially Abled Persons on 24 February 2017. Dr. RavinderBanyal, Scientist, Indian Institute of Astrophysics, Bangalore was the Resource Person.

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY:** AICUF of Fatima College organised a motivating lecture session on "The Importance of Women" on 8 March 2017. Mr. Sundaram, Advocate, High Court Bench, Madurai & Supreme court of India, was the Resource Person for the session.