PG DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH REPORTS OF

DEPARTMENT & EXTERNAL ACTIVITIES

<u>January 2023 – April 2023</u>

S.No	Date	Name of the Event	Resource Persons	Sponsored by	No. of participants
1.	21.01.2023	Research Writing Workshop	Dr. Sathyaraj Venkatesan, Professor of English, NIT, Trichy	PG Department of English	60 Students
2.	25.01.2023	A Cup of Life - An Awareness Programme	Mrs Rejitha G a Social Activist, Trust member,Sakhi Thiruvananthapuram Kerala	Women Empowerment Cell and PG Department of English	All UG and PG Girl Students of KASC
3.	06.02.2023	Poet's Pen	Dr. G. Youveniya, Head & Associate Professor of English	PG Department of English	28 Students
4.	07.02.2023	Reader's Rendezvous	Dr.G.Youveniya, Head & Associate Professor of English	PG Department of English	30 Students
5.	07.02.2023	Debaters' Den	Dr.P.Rajeswari Associate Professor of English(UA)	PG Department of English	24 students
6.	08.02.2023 to 10.02.2023	College Day Quiz Competition	Dr.G.Youveniya Head & Dr. U.R. Jennie English(UA)	PG Department of English	120 Students
7.	16.02.2023 to 18.02.2023	Elysian India: An Inter Department Competitions	Faculty Members of English (UA)	PG Department of English	154 Students
8.	18.02.2023 to 22.02.2023	Siruvani Ilakiya Thiruvizha	Dr.G.Youveniya, Mrs. J. Annamma, Dr.P.Rajeswari, Dr. U.R. Jennie, Dr. M. Swathi English (UA)	Directorate of Collegiate Education, Kovai Zone	42 Students
9.	22.02.2023	Filter Coffee with Prof. Gautham R Desiraju	Prof. Gautham R Desiraju	KASC	18 Students & 2 Staff Members
10.	19.04.2023	Literary Association Valediction	Mrs. Apoorva Lakshmi, Managing Director, Carpe Diem Skills Academy	PG Department of English(UA)	40 Students

Report of Workshop on Research Writing (21. 01. 2023)

PG Department of English organised a one day workshop on **Research Writing** on 21st January 2023. The objective of this workshop is to impart knowledge on recent trends in literature, how to publish paper in UGC Care list journals, how to practice for scholarly writing, advancements in English discipline and interlink between English with the other disciplinarians of today to research scholars. Dr. Sathyaraj Venkatesn, professor of English, National Institute of Technology, Trichy was invited as the chief guest of this programme.

Sixty three research scholars from various institutions attended and benefited by this workshop. At the outset the programme started at 9.30 am with prayer song. Welcome address was given by Mrs Annamma J. Assistant Professor, PG Dept. of English. After the welcome address, the Chief Guest was honoured with memento by Dean of Academics Dr. Madhan Shankar. Presidential address was given by the Principal of KASC Dr. M. Lekeshmanaswamy. Felicitation was done by Dr. S. Madhan Shankar Dean-Academics, KASC. Chief Guest introduction was presented by Dr. G. Youveniya Head, Dept. of English. She detailed a long list of achievements and publications of the Guest Speaker. Afterwards Dr. Sathyaraj Venkatesan presented Keynote Address. He gave an introduction about the emerging trends in research and how to present and publish papers accordingly. He spoke about recent trends in humanities and English studies. He covered the topics such as what is a journal, how to identify a standard journal, how to find out authentic and predatory journals in his address. He introduced variety of journals like Scopus, Web of Science, and other types of journals in UGC Care list group 1 and group II to the scholars.

In Technical Session I he covered nearly 35 recent trends in humanities such as Digital Humanities, Men and Masculinity studies, Plant Humanities, Death and Dying studies, animation and literature, Blue Humanities and Forensic linguistics etc. He also focussed four important studies involving in 21st century: Health, energy, climate and

artificial intelligence. He further briefed about the contemporary writers and ways to be updated with research, to join professional societies, using social media wisely and registering online courses. Technical Session I was winded up with lunch break.

Technical session II detailed about the steps to be followed for publication of articles in reputed journals. He introduced the list of blooming authors in literature to enhance the research skills. He motivated the scholars to keep on working for the progress in research. He shared many websites, online platforms, and list of paid and unpaid journals. After the Technical Sessions the forum was open to inquiries. The research scholars asked questions and clarified their doubts with the Guest Speaker. The Scholars passed constructive feedbacks of the programme. Certificates were provided to the participants. Dr. M. Swathi proposed vote of thanks. The programme ended with National Anthem.





Reports on A Cup of Life - An Awareness Programme (25. 01. 2023)

Women Empowerment Cell and PG Department of English jointly organized an awareness programme titled *A Cup of Life* on 25.01.2023. The purpose of this programme is to create awareness among young girl children on the usage of menstrual cups- a healthy change and a concern over clean India. Mrs Rejitha G a Social Activist, Trust member, Sakhi Women's Resource Centre, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala was invited as the chief guest. All the girls in KASC from UG and PG were the audiences. The Programme started at 10.30 am with prayer song. The Welcome address was given by Dr. S. Binukumari, Convener, Head i/c, Department of Zoology, Coordinator, Women Empowerment Cell, KASC. Felicitation to the chief guest was done after the welcome address. The session started at 10.45 with the chief guest speech. She addressed the issues faced by women during their menstrual cycles. She elaborated in detail about the reproductive system of female body, and the process of menstruation. The Chief Guest stressed that using menstrual cups would prevent many diseases that might occur due to the usage of sanitary napkins over years. She further stated that how using menstrual cups would be physically and economically convenient and how every girl and woman can be contributing a greater part in creating a clean society. She also

taught how to identify a proper menstrual cup, how to use, and sanitizing the cup. After the session got over, the students were encouraged to raise questions, clarified their doubts and gave their feedback about the programme. The programme ended at 1.20 pm with formal vote if thanks by Dr. G. Youveniya, Head & Associate Professor, PG Department of English, KASC.





Lit-Infinitum

Report of Elysian Fields: Poets' Pen (06. 02. 2023)

Lit Infinitum organised the even semester club activity (Poets Pen) on 06.02.2023. The programme was held in G17 hall at 1.15 pm. The programme commenced with prayer song. Welcome address was delivered by M. Madhusudhanan of II PG President of Lit-Infinitum. Ahilan of I PG initiated by delivering his poem and sharing the lines of his favourite poets. Followed by him, Karthiga of I PG recited her poem. Then the students Prema Latha, Monika Lakshmi and Madhusudhanan from II PG narrated their poems. Followed by the students, the teachers of the department also read their own poems and the lines of their beloved poets. Lit-Infinitum Secretary Vaishanvi of II PG proposed vote of thanks. The Programme ended at 2.00 pm.



Report of Club Activity – Readers' Rendezvous (07. 02. 2023)

Lit Infinitum club of PG English Department conducted even semester club activity

Readers' Rendezvous. The main objective of this club is to encourage students to uplift their reading skills. In this club students sit together for scholarly discussion over the books and

other forms of writing they have come across. They share their perception and understanding of the books. They analyse, read their favourite part in the books, and the impact it makes on them. This activity was held 07.02.2023 in G17 at 1.15 PM. The students started discussing and sharing views about different books like poetry, drama, fiction and other articles followed by welcome address by Vaishnavi of II PG. Akilan of I MA shared his favourite lines of a book called The Degree of Discipline. Some quoted the text they read and some discussed about the central figures of the novels they came across. Along with the students the faculty members also took part in this discussion. At the end, Dr. G. Youveniya, Head of the Department appreciated the students for the scholarly discussion the students made and encouraged them to develop these skills. She too read a few passage from a book to the students and asked them to focus on the style of writing, characters portrayal, and choice of words by the author of that book. Followed by the Head of the Department other Faculty members also joined in that discussion. The forum came to an end at 3.30 PM in the evening with vote o thanks by Prema Latha of II MA.





Report of Club Activity – Elysian Fields: Debators Den (07. 02. 2023)

Elysian Fields of Lit-Infinitum convened Debators' Den with the title *Purpose of Reading Books: Education or Entertainment* on 07.02.2023 at 1.15 PM in the G17 hall. The first and the second PG students were the Participants as well as the audiences. Dr. P. Rajeswari Associate Professor of English judged the debate. They programme started with welcome address by Felshy II PG. The debate teams introduced themselves and the titles to the judge and the spectators. They discussed about the benefits of reading books like how it imparts great analytical knowledge, enhances mental soundness, and inculcates life lessons through its various genres in humans. They also stated that books educate humans and make them responsible citizens of the society. They also debated that if a book is strictly read only for the purpose of education, for sure nothing would be registered in mind. Whereas if it is read passionately with more enjoyment it will be both entertaining and educating. Dr. P. Rajeswari encouraged the teams and concluded the argument by stating that both education and entertainment goes hand in hand when people read books. Education is impossible without entertaining ourselves and people entertain themselves that comes along with education. The programme ended at 2.00 pm with formal vote of thanks by Ahilan I PG.





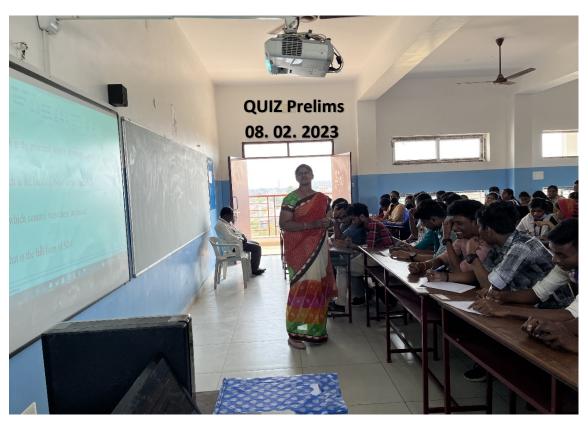
Report on College Day Quiz Competition

(08. 02. 2023 & 10.02.2023)

As a part of KASC's College Day Celebration, PG Department of English was given a responsibility to conduct Quiz Competition for the students of all the departments. The competition was planned to be conducted in two rounds – Prelims and Main. More than 100 students from various departments vivaciously registered their names in teams. The Prelims was held on 08.02.2023 at 1.30 pm in G16 hall. 25 Questions from all the fields like current affairs, agriculture, general science, social science, politics etc. were displayed through projector and answer sheets were provided. They wrote down the answers cheerfully and out of them five teams were shortlisted for the finale.

The Finale was conducted on 10.02.2023 at 4.15 PM in G17 hall. Dr. G. Youveniya, Associate Professor& Head, PG dept. of English and Dr. Jennie U.R. PG dept. of English were the Judges. The finals was conducted with three rounds- Find the figure, Pick a Genre and Rapid Fire. For the first round of Finale questions were chosen from five fields — Sports, Literature, Science, History and Trophies & Awards. The teams were given choices to select their interests in those genres and expected to answer orally. The five teams from the respective classes gave their active participation. Out of those five teams, three teams were qualified for the final round. The finalists were very much eager and curious to answer the questions and wondered about their results. Finally the first, the second, the third prize winners were selected based on their correct answers with speedy response. The department and the Judges congratulated the winners and also encouraged them to present their participation in all the future events.









English Literary Association

Report on Midas Touch - An Inter-department competitions

The Midas Touch of PG Department of English (Unaided) organized inter department competitions under the title *Elysian India* from 16th February 2023 to 18th February 2023 under a forum to up skill language competency of the students. Nearly 150 students from various departments registered and participated in the competitions. The following were the competitions. *Nightingale of India (Sing a Song), Soul of India (Pen a Poem), Voice your Views (Indian Culture), Miniature India (Model Making), Memorable Indians (Character Alive), Know your India (Quiz), Indian Theatre (Drama).*The competitions were conducted in G17 & G18. The faculty members of PG Department of English judged the competitions. Prize distribution for winners, Best Performer and Overall Trophy was planned to be on the day of Valediction.





Report on சிறுவாணி இலக்கிய திருவிழா: படைப்பு அரங்கம் பண்பாட்டு அரங்கம் (18. 02. 2023)

Directorate of Collegiate Education, Kovai Zone announced competitions under the title சிறுவாணி இலக்கிய திருவிழா: படைப்பு அரங்கம் பண்பாட்டு அரங்கம் to the college students. KASC was the organiser of the competitions. Along with the other departments of KASC, PG Department of English conducted competitions titled RJ Hunt, VJ

Hunt, Fix a Climax, Twist the Tale, and Monologue. Students from various departments of KASC registered their names and participated for the selection round. The finalists were selected by the judges Dr. G. Youveniya, Dr. P. Rajeswari, Ms. J. Annammaa and Dr. M. Swathi based on their presentation, effective themes, narration, and coherence.

The final round was conducted on 22.02.2023. Students from other colleges of Kovai Zone participated. Jallikattu and Pongal Celebration were the topics given to the participants of RJ and VJ hunt. The stories of Silapathikaram and Ambikapathi & Amaravathi were given for Fix a Climax, Twist the Tale. The Unsung hero of Kongunadu was the topic of monologue. The Judges keenly watched and evaluated the performances the students. The competitions ended at 3.00 pm. The name list of prize winners is attached below. As per the instructions the name list of the prize winners was sent to the Directorate of Collegiate Education. The students were informed to receive their prizes at PSG College of arts and science, Coimbatore on 25.02.203 & 26.02.2023.













Report on Filter Coffee with Prof Gautham R Desiraju

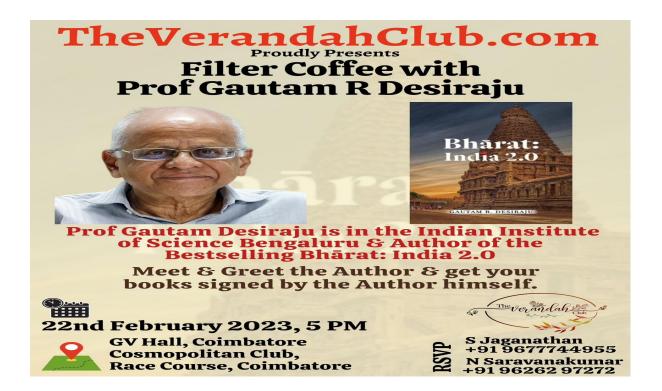
The Veranda club invited KASC for the guest lecture of Prof Gautham R Desiraju on his book Bharat: 2.0 and also to have a scholarly discussion with him on 22nd February 2023 at 5 pm in GV Hall, Cosmopolitan club, Race Course, Coimbatore. Dr. G. Youveniya, Head of the dept. arranged the meeting. Along with the Head of the dept. one faculty from English dept. thirteen students from PG English and PG Chemistry department attended the book show. Firstly the students were given refreshments and were requested to introduce themselves. Professor Gautham Desiraju talked to the students about various subjects like physics, social science, and inorganic chemistry. He also gave suggestions for the higher studies. He clearly expounded the future scope of various science fields to the students. Later on a formal welcome address was given by one of the members of The Veranda Club on the professor and his book. After the welcome address the chief guest as well as the author of the programme was introduced to the audience.

The author introduced his book and started giving his lecture about the aims and objective of his book. He stated that the whole book is designed in a concept of Indian constitution wherein he described about the changes to be made. He elaborated his three main interpretations or his own perceptions for the growth of India. The first fault he stated is Religion issues, the second view is all about the central powers and his third view is about strengthening the state power. Then he introduced an interesting concept of 4K. The 4Ks are Kashmir, Kasi, Katch, and Kongu. According to the author, by strengthening these regions India can become economically a great country. For example saffron business in Kashmir, Silk business in Kasi, and textile focus in kongu region will enhance the country's economy. After his detailed speech on his new concept and vision about Bharat 2.0 he asked the audiences to put forth their doubts and figure out if the book had any mistakes. The audiences raised their doubts and posted their feedback. On the behalf of KASC, Dr. G. Youveniya bought a book which was signed by the author. Then he presented one book to the college with his signature. The session ended with vote of thanks.











Report on English Literary Association Valediction

English Literary Association organized Valediction on 19.04.2023. The programme started at 11.00 am in G5 with prayer song. Lit Infinitum President M. Madhusudanan delivered welcome address. Followed by that, the chief guest of the programme Mrs. Apoorva Lakshmi Aravind, Managing Director of Carpe Diem Skills Academy was honoured with a memento. Presidential Address was given by Dr. Lalitha Ramasamy. Mrs. J Annamma Asst. Professor presented Chief Guest Introduction. Valedictory Address was delivered by the chief guest. Dr. G. Youveniya presented the annual report of the club activities of *Lit Infinitum* and *Midas touch* under English Literary Association. She elaborated in detail about all the events that had happened and organized in the department. She also elucidated the initiatives taken for the enrichment of language and literature skills of the PG and Part II students. Cultural Programme started after the presentation of the report. After that Prizes were distributed to the winners. F. Felshy Christobel of II PG presented Vote of Thanks. The programme ended at 1.00PM with National Anthem.







