

## COLLEGE UNION REPORT (June to September 2024)

1. The College Union organised an orientation program on 05 June 2024 for second-year and third-year students, providing them with essential information to enhance their academic experience and prepare for future opportunities. The session was handled by Dr. Sijiya Binu, Chairperson, Athma-My mind My care. The event focused on promoting personal and professional development.



2. The five-day induction program for first-year students took place from July 1 to July 5, 2024. The program was designed to welcome new students, familiarize them with the college environment, and introduce them to their academic journey at our College.

### **Day 1: Inauguration - Viganolsavam**

The program commenced with a vibrant inauguration ceremony named “Viganolsavam”. Prof. Dr. P. G. Sankaran, Honourable Vice Chancellor of Cochin University, Cochin inaugurated the function and delivered an inspiring address, emphasizing the importance of holistic development and engagement in academic and extracurricular activities. The event included cultural performances by students, fostering a sense of community and excitement among the new entrants.



### **Day 2: Know Your Department**

**Date:** July 2, 2024

On the second day, students participated in departmental sessions to gain insights into their respective fields of study. Each department organized activities and presentations to help students understand the academic expectations, faculty members, and available resources. This interactive format encouraged students to ask questions and engage with their new academic environment.

### **Day 3: Know Your Peers**

Dr. Jenish Paul, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry led a session aimed at fostering camaraderie among students. Through various ice-breaking activities and

discussions, students had the opportunity to get to know each other better, sharing their backgrounds, interests, and aspirations. This session was instrumental in building friendships and networks, essential for a supportive college experience.



#### **Day 4: Introduction to MGU-Ug Honours Program**

The fourth day focused on introducing the MGU-UG Honours Program. Faculty members provided detailed information about the program structure, course offerings, and academic support services. Students were encouraged to explore various opportunities available within the program, including research projects and internships, enhancing their educational journey.



#### **Day 5: Know Your Campus**

The final day of the induction program included a guided campus tour. Students visited key facilities, including libraries, laboratories, and recreational areas. This hands-on exploration allowed them to familiarize themselves with the campus layout and available resources, fostering a sense of belonging and comfort in their new environment.

### **3. The Freshers Day**

The Freshers Day celebration at our took place on July 26, 2024, marking a vibrant welcome for the incoming first-year students. The event featured a variety of activities, including the Novita fashion show and cultural performances, showcasing the talents of both staff and students.

#### **Novita Fashion Show**

One of the main attractions of the day was the Novita fashion show, which featured stunning designs and creative theme under the coordination of B Voc Fashion technology and Merchandising Department.



### **Cultural Programs**

Following the fashion show, a series of cultural performances took place. Students and staff participated in a variety of acts, including:

- **Dance Performances:** Groups performed traditional and contemporary dance forms, energizing the audience.



- **Musical Acts:** Live music, including singing and instrumental performances, added to the festive atmosphere.



#### **4. Onam Celebration**

The Onam celebration at our college took place from September 9 to September 12, 2024. This year's festivities were filled with traditional activities and cultural programs, bringing the college community together in a spirit of joy and harmony.

##### **Day 1: Kodyettu**

**Date:** September 9, 2024

The celebration began with **Kodyettu**, the hoisting of the Onam flag, which marks the official start of the festival. The ceremony was attended by faculty, staff, and students, symbolizing unity and the spirit of Onam.



### **Day 2: Pookkalamalsaram**



**Date:** September 10, 2024

The second day featured **Pookkalamalsaram**, where students and staff created intricate floral arrangements (Pookkalam) in front of the college and auditorium. Various departments competed to design the most beautiful and innovative patterns using vibrant flowers, reflecting the rich cultural heritage of Kerala.

### **Day 3: Onakalikal**



**Date:** September 11, 2024

The third day was dedicated to **Onakalikal**, which included traditional onam games. Activities such as tug-of-war, sack races, musical chair and spoon and lemeon were organized, encouraging participation from students across all departments.

### **Day 4: Megathiruvatira, Shinjarimelam, and Onasadya**

**Date:** September 12, 2024



The final day of the Onam celebration began with **Megathiruvatira**, a traditional dance form performed by groups of students, accompanied by the rhythmic beats of drums. This was followed by **Shinjarimelam**, a lively musical performance that added to the festive spirit.

The highlight of the day was the **Onasadya**, a grand feast featuring an array of traditional Kerala dishes served on banana leaves. Students and staff enjoyed the communal dining experience, celebrating the essence of Onam through shared meals and laughter..

#### 5. College Union election

Election to the college Union for 2024-25 took place on 17 October 2024 from 10 am to 1 pm. Ms. Chaithanya Elsa Achankunju, Assistant Professor, Dept of English, served as the Returning Officer. Results were announced in the evening. Following members were elected as members of the College Union executive:

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#### 6.Oath taking ceremony

The oath taking ceremony for the newly elected college union members was held on 21 October 2024 at 9.30 am in college auditorium. Principal-in-charge Ms. Sherin T. Abraham congratulated the newly elected members and wished everyone success in the conduct of upcoming programs. The newly elected union members took the oath, promising to serve the college and its students to the best of their abilities. The oath was administered by the Principal.

#### 7.Kerala Piravi Rally

The College Union organized a rally in connection with Kerala Piravi on 1 November 2024 from college to Perumbavoor town at 3 pm. The programme was inaugurated by Principal, Dr. Letha P. Cherian. She highlighted the significance of celebrating Kerala Piravi and the importance of preserving Malayalam language. All faculty, staff and students attended in the rally.

#### 8. Malayalam Week celebrations

As part of the Kerala Piravi celebrations, College Union in association with the Dept. of Malayalam, organized Malayalam Week Celebrations from 1-8 November 2024. The week-long celebration aimed to promote Malayalam language, culture, and traditions.

i) Official Language Pledge

Malayalam language pledge ceremony was taken on 1 November 2024 to promote the use and appreciation of Malayalam language.

ii) 1- minute Malayalam competition

1-minute Malayalam talking competition was held on 1 November 2024 at 1pm at the college entrance. The competition aimed to encourage students to showcase their public speaking skills in Malayalam. The participants were judged based on their fluency, confidence, content, and overall delivery. The 1-minute Malayalam talking competition was a huge success, with all participants showcasing excellent public speaking skills. The competition encouraged students to think creatively and express themselves confidently in Malayalam.

iii) Lying contest

A lying contest was organized to test the creativity and convincing skills of participants on 4 november 2024 at 1pm in front of college auditorium. The contest aimed to provide a fun and lighthearted platform for people to showcase their storytelling abilities. The contest provided a fun and entertaining platform for people to come together and enjoy some tall tales.

iv) Soil art competition

As part of the Kerala Piravi and Malayalam Week Celebration, a soil art competition was organized for students to promote creativity and environmental awareness on 5 november 2024 before the college auditorium.

v) Caption Competition

A caption competition was organized to encourage creativity and wit among students. A photo was displayed in front of the college along with a box for students to submit their captions on 6 november 2024 .

vi) Kappayum Kanthariyum Food Fest

The Kappayum Kanthariyum Food Fest was organized to celebrate the rich culinary heritage of Kerala on 7 november 2024 in front of college auditorium. The festival showcased a variety of traditional Kerala dishes, highlighting the state's unique flavors and ingredients.

vii) Ammanayattam competition

The Ammanayattam competition was organised as part of malayalam week celebration on 7 november 2024 at 1pm in front of college auditorium, aiming to promote and preserve the traditional game of Kerala.

viii) Malayalimanka and Kerala Sreeman Competition

The Malayalimanka Competition was organized as part of the Malayalam Week celebration on 8 november 2024 at college auditorium to encourage use of Malayalam culture and language among students. The competition aimed to encourage creativity and artistic talent among

students, while also providing a platform for them to explore and express their roots in Malayalam culture. After different rounds of competition, Ms. Ananya Anilkumar (BSc Mathematics) and Ms. Fathima Siddique (BA History) were selected as the Malayalimanka and the Kerala Sreeman for the year.

#### 8) Halloween day celebration

The college union organized a Halloween Day celebration on November 6, 2024 in Students Corner, to provide students with a fun and spooky experience. The event aimed to encourage student participation and creativity. Students dressed in various haunted costumes and they performed dances. Many other games were also played during the celebration.

#### 9) Christmas celebration

The college union organized a Christmas celebration, “Feliz Navidad,” on 19 December 2024 in front of the college to spread joy and festive cheer among students. The event featured a Christmas tree and crib making competition, games, and other fun activities. After that cultural programmes of students also took place.

#### 10) Commemorating MT Vasudevan Nair

The college union organised an event “Ormakalil MT” on 22 January 2024 at 2:45pm to pay tribute to renowned Malayalam writer MT Vasudevan Nair. The event aimed to celebrate his literary contributions and legacy. The event started with a keynote speech by Jiju John Sir highlighting MT Vasudevan Nair’s literary achievements and his impact on Malayalam literature. The event concluded showcasing a webseries episode “Vilpana” produced by Zee TV based on one of MT's stories.

#### 11) College union and arts club inauguration

The College Union and Arts Club of our college were inaugurated on 29 January 2024, marking the beginning of a new era of students activities and cultural events. We had Mr. Shakthi Singh Arya IPS, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Perumbavoor, and Mr. Minon John, cine artist, as our chief guests. They lighted the lamp with our principal and other union members, indicating an auspicious beginning to our events. Mr. Minon John drew a painting on stage, marking the inauguration of the activities of the Arts Club.

#### 12) Youth Festival “Kalayattam 2025”

The arts festival of our college began with the inaugural ceremony on 29 January 2024. to 31 January. The on stage programs took place in two stages: the college auditorium and PG seminar hall. The literary events lasted for a week. Dept. of Commerce emerged as the overall champions.