



## Annual Report 2014-15

# Department of Youth Welfare



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കൊച്ചി ശാസ്ത്ര സാങ്കേതിക സർവകലാശാലയിലെ (കുസാറ്റ്) ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെന്റ് ഓഫ് യൂത്ത് വെൽഫെയർ തൃശൂരിലെ ചിമ്മിനിയിൽ നടത്തിയ മഴ ക്യാമ്പിൽ പങ്കെടുത്തവർ.

# മഴ നനഞ്ഞവർ വൃത്തിയാക്കി: ചിമ്മിനി ഡാം പരിസരം

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കൊച്ചി ശാസ്ത്ര സാങ്കേതിക സർവകലാശാലയിലെ (കുസാറ്റ്) ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെന്റ് ഓഫ് യൂത്ത് വെൽഫെയർ വനം വകുപ്പിന്റെ സഹകരണത്തോടെ നടത്തിയ 'മൺസൂൺ മാഡ്നെസ്' പരി

സ്ഥിതി ക്യാമ്പ് അംഗങ്ങളാണു ഡാം പരിസരം വൃത്തിയാക്കിയത്. മഴ നനഞ്ഞു കാടിന്റെ മനമറിയുക എന്നതായിരുന്നു ലക്ഷ്യം. ഇതിനായി 40 വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളും അധ്യാപകരും അടങ്ങുന്ന സംഘമാണു ചിമ്മിനിയിലെത്തിയത്. ആദ്യ ദിവസത്തെ ചർച്ചകളും ക്ലാസുകളും കഴിഞ്ഞപ്പോൾ ഇനി വാചകത്തിലല്ലാതെ പ്രവൃത്തിയിൽ പ്രകൃതിക്കെന്തു നൽകാനാവുമെന്ന ചിന്തയായി.

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ന്ന ആശയം മുന്നോട്ടുവച്ചത്. യൂത്ത് വെൽഫെയർ ഡയറക്ടർ ഡോ. പി.കെ. ബേബിയും ഫോറസ്റ്റ് റേഞ്ച് ഓഫീസർ ടി.പി. പയസും പച്ചക്കൊടി കാട്ടിയതോടെ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾ പറന്നിറങ്ങി. ചിതറിക്കിടന്ന പ്ലാസ്റ്റിക് വസ്തുക്കളെല്ലാം നാലുമണിക്കൂർ കൊണ്ടു ചാക്കിലാക്കി.

മഴയിൽ തണുത്തു വിറച്ചു ക്യാമ്പിലേക്കു മടങ്ങുമ്പോൾ എല്ലാവർക്കും ഒരു പ്രതിജ്ഞയുണ്ടായിരുന്നു. 'ഒരു മിറായിക്കടലാസ് പോലും ഇനി കാട്ടിൽ നിക്ഷേപിക്കില്ല'.

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## Foreword

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Department of Youth Welfare is a formal platform in the University to design and implement youth policy which includes the issues related to motivation, participation, promotion and socio-economic and cultural settings within which young people grow up. The Department will act as a driving force for the student and youth community to epitomise their academic excellence through doing and learning. This review provides an account of the programs and interventions organised by the Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kerala for the financial Year 2014-15.

The Department has organized a lot of programmes in the year 2014-15 for the purpose of building confidence, creativity and compassion among the students. Despite a lot of limitations, such as, lack of supporting staff, funds and multiplicity of responsibilities officially not defined, I am personally happy to see that the department completed a journey of five years successfully.

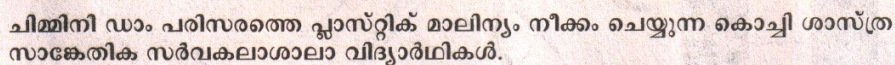
We are indebted to many people who supported us during the last year. First, we are grateful to DR. Ramachandran Thekkedath, the Former Vice Chancellor of the University, in particular for his encouragement and continuous support. We are grateful to Dr. K Paulose Jacob, Hon'ble Pro-Vice Chancellor, Dr. K Sajan, Registrar and all members of the syndicate for providing invaluable support throughout the year. Dr. M. Bhasi, Controller of Examinations was a great support in all the activities organized by the Department. We would also like to thank Sri. Sebastian Ouseph, Finance Officer; Dr. Job, Chief of Warden; all Heads of the Departments / Directors of Schools and Principal, School of Engineering for their great interest and support in all the activities.

On a personal note, I would like to appreciate the support that I received from all the staff of the University without any discretion.

The most important stake holder of the Department is the students. Without their unconditional support, tolerance and love we were unable to move a step forward. Their enthusiasm only makes me to take challenges and think about further activities.

Director, Students Welfare  
13.04.2015





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# 25<sup>th</sup> CUSAT International Rating Chess Tournament

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The 25<sup>th</sup> CUSAT International Rating Chess Tournament, jointly organized by the Department of Youth Welfare, CUSAT; Department of Physical Education, CUSAT; Ernakulam District Chess

Association, Cochin University Union and CUSAT Chess Club held at air conditioned halls of the software block, School of Engineering, CUSAT 16.05.2014 to 20.05.2014.



*Shri. Ram S Krishnan receiving champion's trophy from the Hon'ble Minister in the presence of Shri. Nedumudi Harikumar, Dr. A Sajan, Shri.Binu V.P, Dr. P.K Baby, Dr. Paulose Jacob, Shri. A Ananthakrishnan and Shri. V Vijayaraghavan.*



*Shri. Jacob Punnoose IPS (Rtd.) inaugurating the tournament in the presence of Dr. G Madhu, Dr. A Sajan, Shri.Sunny P.Jose, Dr. P.K Baby, Shri.PVN Namboothirippad, and Shri. Shri. N.A Rasheed..*



Top Players like World U-9 blitz champion Nihal Sarin, Three international norm holder Ram S Krishnan, Phoobalan P and Kunal M have participated in the five day-long event. A total of 257, including 194 FIDE rated players from different parts of the country participated in the event.

Shri. Jacob Punnoose IPS, *Former state Police Chief and present CEO, 35<sup>th</sup> National Games Secretariat* inaugurated the tournament at 10.30 am at the Software block, SoE on 16<sup>th</sup> May.

*Association, Ernakulum* were also present in the function. Sri. V. Vijayaraghavan, *international arbiter* was the chief arbiter and Sri. Dakshinamurthi, Sri. Venugopalan A.P, Sri. K.A Unus and P.S Ameer were the deputy arbiters. 30 main cash awards and 71 category prizes worth ₹ 301250 were given to the winners. Cochin University of Science and Technology was the major promoter. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and State Bank of Travancore financially supported.



Sri. Sunny P Jose, *Chairman, Organising committee and Member of Syndicate* presided over the function. Dr. K Sajan, *Member Syndicate and Professor in charge of Registrar* welcomed the gathering and Sri Plaito V Willaim, *Secretary, Chess Association Ernakulum* proposed vote of thanks. Dr. G Madhu, *Member Syndicate*, Dr. P.K Baby, *Director, Department of Youth Welfare*, Shri. N. A Rasheed, *Joint Secretary, Kerala State Chess Association*, Sri. PVN Namboothirippad, *Patron, Chess*

Mr. Ram S Krishnan, from BSNL Tamilnadu won the 25<sup>th</sup> CUSAT International Rating Chess Championship with 9 points out of 10 rounds. Mr. Phoobalan. P from *Integrated Coach Factor, Chennai* was the first runner up with 8.5 points. Mr. Maheswaran P from Posts and Telegraph, Mr. Kunal M from Tamilnadu and Mr. Chandan Raju from Kerala were the Second runners up with 8 points each. Survar Subair from Kerala declared



as the best unrated player with 6.5 points. Mr. Marthandan K.U from Kerala was the best player in the category below 1800 with 7.5 points and Mr. Shibin K Benny from Kerala was the best player below 1500 category with 6 points.

Master Tarun V Kanth from Taminadu was the champion under -14 with 6.5 points. Master Nihal Sarin from Kerala was the champion in under -11 with 6.5 points. Master Pankaj Bhat from Karnataka was the champion in under-8 category with 4.5 points.

The valedictory section of the Tournament held at 6 pm on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at software block, School of Engineering CUSAT. Sri.V.K Ibrahim Kunju, *Hon'ble Minister*

*for Public Works* distributed prizes and certificates to the champions. Dr. K Paulose Jacob, *Pro-Vice Chancellor in charge of Vice Chancellor* presided over the function. Mr. V. Vijayaraghavan, *International Arbiter* presented arbiters report. Dr. K Sajan, *Professor in charge of Registrar and Member of Syndicate*, Shri. Nedumudi Harikumar, *Member Syndicate*, Shri. M. Kannan, *President, Ernakulam District Chess Association* were also present in the function. Dr. P.K Baby, *Director, Department of Youth Welfare* welcomed the gathering and Mr. V.P Binu, *Secretary, CUSAT Chess Club* proposed the vote of thanks. The tournament had a total prize money of ₹ 3,01,250. The champion received prize money of ₹ 30,000.



*Honourable Minister Shri. V. K Ibrahimkunju addressing the gathering in the prize distribution function.*



*Dr. A Sajan, Professor in charge of Registrar and Member Syndicate handing over memento to Shri. V. Vijayaraghavan, International Arbiter.*



*Shri. Nedumudi Harikumar, Member Syndicate, Dr. A Sajan, Professor in charge of Registrar and Member Syndicate, Shri. Ibrahim Kunju, Honourable Minister, Dr. Paulose Jacob, Pro Vice Chancellor in charge of Vice Chancellor in the valedictory function.*



### First 10 Main Prizes

No	Rank	Name	Club/State
1	1	Ram S Krishnan	TN
2	2	Phoobalan P	ICF, TN
3	3	Maheswaran P	P&T, TN
4	4	Kunal M	TN
5	5	Chandar Raju	KER
6	6	Mohammed Dilshad	KER
7	7	Arjun Satheesh	KER
8	8	Prakashram R	TN
9	9	Iniyan P	TN
10	10	Sai Vishwesh C	TN

### Category Champions

No	Category	Name	Club / State
1	Best Unrated	Sarvar Subair	KER
2	Best Rated (below 1500)	Shibin K Benny	KER
3	Best Rated (below 1800)	Marthandan K U	KER
4	Best Under -8	Pankaj Bhat	KAR
5	Best Under -11	Nihal Sarin	KER
6	Best under – 14	Tarun V Kanth	TN
7	Best Woman (Above 18)	Aarudhra Genesh	TN
8	Best Girl (Under 9)	Amritha Vinod	KER
9	Best Girl (Under 12)	Tejasvi M	TN
10	Best Girl (Under15)	Ananya Suresh	KAR
11	Best Girl (Under 18)	Dharani Sree R	TN
12	Best Veteran (Above 50)	Sharma Shashi Pal	J&K
13	Best Sr. Citizen (Above 60)	Mohanan C.S	KER
14	Best Keralite	Ashish Madhusoodhanan	KER
15	Best Other State	Alan Diviya Raj	TN
16	Best Ernakulum	Martin Samuel	KER
17	Best CUSAT	John V.P	KER





# World Hydrography day Celebrations

The World Hydrographic Day is observed worldwide on June 21 every year and this year's theme given by the International Hydrographic Bureau, Monaco is hydrography- much more than just nautical charts. A modernized efficient hydrographic service has crucial role to play in the safe and efficient operation of maritime traffic control, coastal zone management, sustainable exploration and exploitation of marine resources, marine environmental protection and maritime defence. Around 25 students from various departments of CUSAT visited INS Jamuna on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014. They spent arooung four hours in the ship explaining with a practical exposure on hydrography.





The Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology organized a three-day digital photography workshop, FRAMES, on the campus from 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>, August 2014. The purpose of the workshop was to provide the participants an extensive and thorough expertise in digital photography. The workshop was officially inaugurated by Dr. K. Paulose Jacob, Vice-Chancellor-in-charge at 03.00 PM on 08<sup>th</sup> August 2014 at Hindi auditorium. Dr. P.K Baby, Director, Students Welfare welcomed the gathering and Ms. Seema Suresh wildlife photographer and Camp Director proposed vote of thanks. After the inaugural session, the first session was handled by Sri. Josekutty Panakkal, Senior Photographer of *Malayala Manorama*. He explained about sports photography based on his experience in Chinese Olympics.



The second and third sessions on 08<sup>th</sup> and 09<sup>th</sup> were handled by Mr. Ullas G Kalappura, he explained the basics of digital photography, such as, shutter speed, white balance, aperture, ISO, framing and shooting modes. The fourth session was handled by known wildlife photographer Ms. Aparna Purushothaman. The fifth was a motivating experience-sharing session by wildlife photographer and Camp Director Ms. Seema Suresh. The last session on the second day was handled by the well-known wildlife photographer Mr. Saburaj Thomson. Following the session,



there was an on-hand training to create a practical understanding about the various techniques learned.

The third day was fully reserved for practical photography. Mr. Abdul Noushad, Director of *Scoot School, Cochin* handled the morning session. He explained the tips and techniques about composition, lighting, white balance and lenses. The afternoon session was handled by Mr. Ajith Aravind from *Tata Consultancy Services* on photo editing. The workshop included interactive sessions with professional photographers which helped the participants to gain knowledge from field experience. A total of 45 participants attended the workshop; out of 26 were CUSAT students, 5 alumni and 14 selected participants from other colleges and institutes. The total registration fee collected was `18000.

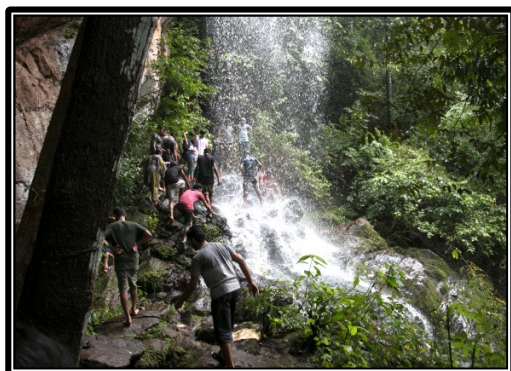
The valedictory session held at 04.00 PM on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2014. Dr. P.K Baby, Director, Department of Youth Welfare, Ms. Seema Suresh, Camp Director, Mr. Abdul Noushad and Mr. Ajith Aravind distributed the certificates to the participants. Mr. Akhil V.H, Mr. Nahaz P.A, Mr. Callastine Jude Lewis and Ms. Nila Gowri S shared cash prizes of `2500, `1500, `500 and `500 respectively in the photography competition organized as part of the workshop. Mr. Akhil, winner of the competition said, "I have no words to express my happiness because getting training under such a renowned photographer is like a dream come true."



# Monsoon Madness 14

*Experiencing Nature*

The fourth edition of Monsoon Madness conducted by the Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology in association with the Department of Wildlife and Forests, Government of Kerala during 22nd to 24th August 2014 was as at Chimmony wildlife sanctuary. The primary goal of the camp was to provide the students with an opportunity to immerse themselves into nature and get a better sense of understanding and appreciation about the resources and deep beauty of nature. There were a total of 42 campers that included 39 students and 3 staff members. The Serene and beautiful Chimmony wildlife sanctuary, located in the Western Ghats, is one of the world's 25 bio-diversity hot-spots, the heaven of innumerable species of endangered plants and animals. Dr. P.K Baby, Director, Department of Youth Welfare, Mr. Sinesh A S and Ms. Aruna Kylas accompanied the team.



The participants were welcomed to Chimmony at 11.30 AM on 22nd August by Sri. K.T Pious, Assistant Wildlife Warden and Range Officer of Chimmony Wildlife Sanctuary. He gave a brief introduction regarding the wildlife sanctuary. Following the inaugural session, Sri. Xavier Elthuruthu, known wild animals' catcher demonstrated different types of snakes and explained



the beliefs and misbeliefs about snakes. The third session was handled by Shri. Dharmarajan, an environmental activist. The fourth session was an in-depth talk by Adv. Harish Vasudevan from 'ONE EARTH ONE LIFE'. He made us convinced that we have to become intelligent consumers and thus help in conserving the environment.

The next day morning, campers were taken for a small walk to the dam site, interacting with resource persons in the the amazing lap of nature. Later the campers went for trekking in the forest that lasted for about 5 hours. During the trekking the campers saw the phenomenal beauty of nature that comprised of uncountable species of insects, birds, monkeys, giant squirrels, snakes, waterfalls, streams, animal footprints etc. It was raining the whole day, literary, nature itself created environment for monsoon madness. Following the trekking, the campers cleaned plastics in the entire dam site under the leadership of staff accompanied and forest officials. In the evening, Sri. Sreejith, forest officer shared his wildlife experiences with students. At the night a 34 minute documentary, Plastic Cow, made by Kunal Vohra in 2012 which looks at the impact of our almost complete dependence on plastic bags. The movie left most of the campers in tears. They came forward and voluntarily pledged to minimise their plastic consumption and make sure that the plastic that they use and the people around them use doesn't reach to the mouth of the cows.

The Third day started with a discussion on the follow up actions. After the discussion campers were shown another documentary called "HOME", made by Yann Arthus-Bertrand that left them thinking about what humankind has done to this miraculous planet of the universe and what they have to do now to make it right. The day ended again with a thorough discussion among the campers. The camp actually transformed many young campers who now see the nature with a whole new perspective. By learning the value of nature, they learned value of humanity, compassion, discipline, team spirit and culture. To sum up, the Monsoon Madness camps filled with fun and life changing experiences.



## Reel Earth:

### Environmental Film Festival of CUSAT 2014' (EFFC 2014)

Reel Earth: Environmental Film Festival of Cusat 2014' (EFFC 2014) organised by the Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology brings to light the various green issues plaguing the world today. Sri. Anoop Chandran, noted film actor inaugurated the festival at Hindi Auditorium on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2014. Dr. K Paulose Jacob, *Hon'ble Vice Chancellor*, Mr. Bhangyanathan C.G, *Director of the film 'Shesham Kadhaabhaagam'* and Dr. S David Peter, *Registrar of the University* were talked in the function.





Following the inauguration on 13<sup>th</sup> October, Malayalam film, '**Shesham Kadhaabhaagam**', directed by Sri. Bhagyanathan C.G was screened. The classic saga, **LAST LIONS**, directed by Dereck Joubert was screened on 14<sup>th</sup> October. The beautiful adventure into the strangest domains of our planet, '**THE PLANET OCEAN**', directed by Yann Arthus-Bertrand and Michael Pitiot was screened on 15<sup>th</sup> October. The agriculture story directed by the National award winner actor-director, Salim Kumar, '**POKKALI**' and APPUNTE LOKAM, s short film directed by Roshni Rosewas screened on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2014. The 100 minutes long '**PLANET EARTH**, a stunning movie experience that captures rare action, impossible locations and intimate moments with our planet's best-loved, wildest and most elusive creatures, directed by Alastair Fothergill was screened at on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2014. The Department has organized the last three editions of Reel Earth: Environmental Film Fest of CUSAT (EFFC). EFFC 2014 aimed to increase awareness of key environmental issues by promoting and screening short and medium-length films and videos, focusing on environmental issues, produced in different parts of the world.



# I ♥ my campus

Together for a green campus

The learning may not be always from class rooms. The students of CUSAT leaned the 'joy of working together' on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2014 when they lined up for making campus plastic free and planting trees for a better tomorrow. The Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology have organized a campaign- I love my campus, for promoting green and clean campus. The programme is envisaged in two phases. The first phase is making the campus plastic free and later to plant trees in different parts of the campus.

The programme officially launched by Dr. S David Peter, Registrar of CUSAT by planting a tree near the CUSAT open air auditorium. Then a group of volunteers started removing plastics from various parts of the campus. Another groups engaged in planting flowering trees in various places of the campus. A total of 140 saplings were planted in the campus on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2014 as part of the programme.











## Cochin Cycling Campaign

Mayor Tony Chammany flagged off the 'Cochin cycling campaign' at High Court Junction, Ernakulam on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 29, 2014, jointly organised by the Cochin University of Science and Technology and Kochi Metro Rail Limited. The objective of the campaign was to promote the habit of cycling and to create awareness among the youth about healthy ways of living, and protection of environment. Around 70 students participated in it. The rally began from the High Court Junction and concluded at the Lakeside campus of CUSAT. Deputy Mayor B. Bhadra, film actors Dharmajan Bolgatty, Krishna, Gokulan were also present on the occasion.

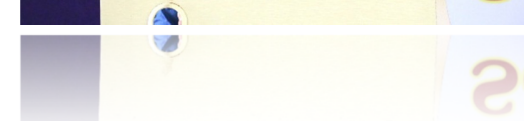
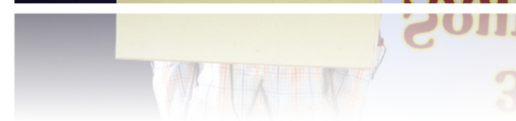
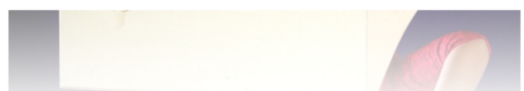




# 30<sup>th</sup> South Zone Inter University Youth Festival

① Tumkur University, Tumkur, Karnataka.

Forty selected contingents of Cochin University of Science and Technology participated in the 30<sup>th</sup> South Zone Inter University Youth Festival held at Tumkur University, Karnataka during 08<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> December 2014, jointly organized by the Association of Indian Universities and the Ministry of Youth affairs and Sports, Government of India.







The team participated in Theatre, Literary, Fine Arts, Dance and Music Events and secured the following prizes.

**1. Overall champions in literary events**

**2. First prize in Quiz**

- a. Ramakrishnan M.N, S7, BBA LLB (Hons), SLS.
- b. Aditya S Menon, S3, BBA LLB (Hons), SLS.
- c. Arjun M, S5, B.Tech Mech, CoE, Thalassery.

**3. First Prize in debate**

- a. Amrutha Raj, S7, BBA LLB (Hons), SLS.
- b. Joel Andrews, Y5; MBBS; CMC, Kochi.

**4. First Prize Western Vocal Solo**

- a. Nikitha Devadasan, S5, MCA, CUSAT
- b. Visal.C, S5, CSE, CoE, Kidangoor (Accompanist).

**5. First Prize in Instrumental Percussion**

- a. Venkataraman S, 2010 -14 Batch B. Tech EEE, MG College, Trivandrum
- b. Harisankar R, 2010-14 Batch B. Tech EEE, MEC, Trikkakara (Accompanist).
- c. Sreekanth Sarma P, S1, M.Tech Mech., MEC, Trikkakara (Accompanist).

**6. First Prize in Instrumental Non Percussion**

- a. Harisankar R, 2010-14 Batch B. Tech EEE, MEC, Trikkakara
- b. Venkataraman S, 2010 -14 Batch B. Tech EEE, MG College, Trivandrum (Accompanist).
- c. Sreekanth Sarma P, S1, M.Tech Mech., MEC, Trikkakara (Accompanist)

**7. Third Prize in Classical Dance**

- a. Mithun P S5, B.Tech EC; CoE, Thalassery.

**8. Third Prize in Elocution**

- a. Amrutha Raj, S7, BBA LLB (Hons), SLS.



# National Inter University Youth Festival

at Devi Ahalya Viswa Vidyalaya, Indore

Cochin University of Science and Technology secured the five first prizes in the 30<sup>th</sup> South Zone Inter University Youth Festival held at Tumkur University, Karnataka during 08<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> December 2014 and the following events were selected to participate in the 30<sup>th</sup> National Inter University Youth Festival held at Devi Ahilya Viswa Vidyalayam, Indore, Madhya Pradesh from 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> February 2015. We have registered 16 contingents including the students, staff and accompanists for the following events – Quiz, Debate, Western Vocal Solo, Instrumental Percussion, Instrumental Non Percussion

However, due to their personal inconvenience participants of Instrumental Percussion and Instrumental Non Percussion informed their inability to participate in the festival. Hence, the tickets for 8 contingents were cancelled and the remaining 8 contingents participated in the festival and the team bagged the following positions in the Festival.

1. **Third Prize in Western Vocal Solo.**
2. **Fourth Prize in Debate**
3. **Fourth Prize in Quiz**







## Green Room V

*Cultivating Creativity*

Department of Youth Welfare, Cochin University of Science and Technology has organised **“GREEN ROOM V: Cultivating Creativity”** for the purpose of increasing English communication among selected students of the University from 06<sup>th</sup> to 09<sup>th</sup> March 2015. The programme aimed at improving the quality of life through empowering students to enhance their communication skills by challenging stereotypes and discrimination. Green Room: Cultivating creativity is a series of residential training programmes and has been organised by the Department with an objective of increasing employability, self-confidence, competence, creativity and compassion among selected students of the University since 2011. Dr. Rose Varghese, Hon. Vice Chancellor of National University for Advanced Legal Studies inaugurated the programme at Hindi auditorium on 06<sup>th</sup> march 2015. Dr. K Paulose Jacob, Pro-Vice Chancellor of the University presided over the function. Dr. P.K Baby, Director of the Department and Mrs. Brinda Bala, Head, Department of English and foreign languages proposed vote of thanks.



Known artist Shri. Margi Madhu Chakyar and team performed koodiyaattom on ‘anguliyankam’ at SMS auditorium in the evening.









Various sessions were led by Sri. Reymond D Costa, Mrs. Cheril D Costa, Sri. Jitin Octave, Mrs. Dona Thomas, Sri. Ram Mohan, Sri. Jino P John and Dr. P.K Baby. The camp ended at 4.00 PM on 09<sup>th</sup> March 2015.



given away.

## Cycling campaign by students



*Students of the Cochin University of Science and Technology participating in a cycling campaign jointly organised by the university and Kochi Metro Rail in Kochi on Saturday. - PHOTO: VIPIN CHANDRAN*

Staff Reporter

**KOCHI:** Mayor Tony Chammery flagged off the 'Cochin cycling campaign' here on Saturday, jointly organised by the Cochin University of Science and Technology and

Kochi Metro Rail Limited. The objective of the campaign was to promote the habit of cycling and to create awareness among the youth about healthy ways of living, and protection of environment. Around 70 students

participated in it. The rally began from the High Court Junction and concluded at the Lakeside campus of Cusat.

Deputy Mayor B. Bhadra was also present on the occasion, said a press release.

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