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Celebrating Creativity: Don Bosco College's Spectacular Arts Day

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The New Champions Of YAVANIKA- 2025

Kottiyam: BBA Department Clinches Historic Victory at Yavanika Arts Fest Don Bosco College, January 30 & 31 In a remarkable achievement, the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) department made history by securing their first-ever championship at prestigious Yavanika Arts Fest. Held on January 30 and 31 at Don Bosco College,

the festival saw enthusiastic participation from eight departments, with BBA emerging as the overall champions, earning an impressive 262 points.

Their victory was a testament to their dedication, teamwork, and artistic excellence, which were evident throughout the competition.

Empowering

Kottiyam: In a heartfelt initiative to promote education and empowerment, the NSS unit of Don Bosco College, Kottiyam, marked National Girl Child Day by supporting the education of underprivileged girl children.

A dedicated team of nine NSS volunteers, led by NSS Programme Officer Sneha Mary Abraham, visited Thrikovilvattom Grama Panchayath to distribute essential study materials to six young girls. The distributed kits included notebooks, pens, pencils, sketch pens, and other necessary supplies—all procured through the volunteers' own efforts, reflecting their commitment to the cause.

the Future:

The team was guided by Ms. Zeenath, a former panchayath member, who played a crucial role in ensuring the smooth execution of the initiative. The families of the beneficiaries expressed immense gratitude, acknowledging the thoughtful gesture that would aid the children's education.

This noble endeavor not only reinforced the importance of providing educational support to girl children but also inspired the volunteers to continue their community service. Upholding the NSS motto, "Not Me but You," the initiative underscored the significance of collective responsibility in fostering an equitable society.



The NSS unit of Don Bosco College The NSS unit of Don Bosco College successfully organized the observance of National Girl Child Day, creating a meaningful impact on the lives of young girls. Through various activities, awareness sessions, and interactive programs,

the event reinforced the importance of education, empowerment, and gender equality. The initiative was designed to inspire and uplift young girls, empowering them to pursue their dreams with confidence by providing mentorship, resources, and a platform



ion Bosco College Declared as First Green Campus in Kollam

Kottiyam: The National Service Scheme (NSS) unit of Don Bosco College, Kottiyam, officially declared the esteemed institution as an Eco-Friendly Green Campus on January 9, 2025, promoting environmental sustainability, conservation, and green initiatives. MLA Noushad proudly declared the college as the first-ever Green Campus in the region.

A felicitation address was delivered by Ms. Smitha, Resource Person of The Haritha Kerala Mission, who appreciated Don Bosco College's unwavering commitment to sustainSanitation Mission, an efficient and well-structured system for plastic and solid waste collection and management has also been successfully set up. Kottiyam Don Bosco College proudly stands as the first self-financing college in the district to be officially recognized as a certified Green Campus, actively promoting susenvironmental awaretainability, ness, and eco-conscious initiatives. The event concluded with a heartfelt and sincere vote of thanks delivered by Ms. Sali S., NSS Programme Officer, warmly acknowledging and appreciating everyone's dedicated efforts in making remarkable initiative

Don bosco celebrates it's 31stInstitution Day

The basic question about our college is after our name which is "who is Don Bosco?"Don Bosco is a catholic priest and also a who lived from 1815 to 1888 in Italy. He started almost 2600 of institutions all over the world and most among them are educational institutions. Educational institutions for achieving degrees ,professional training institutions, associations for helping poor people, orphanages, women empowerment programmes ..mainly he did programmes for the development of the youth. Kottiyam Don Bosco was started at 1986. We celebrate our Institution Day during the death anniversary of Don Bosco which is January 31. For our Don Bosco college, Institution day is celebrated as the togetherness of our college Institution, basically the Don Bosco family. As a part of this there will be sweets distribution for students during friday along with our Arts Day and on the next day all the staffs of our college with their

family members and our college Union, we had a next phase of celebration. activities. We even give counseling as part of Don Bosco's vision of education. We culminate Arts Day with Institution Day, using it as an opportunity to reflect on Don Bosco's vision. He believed teachers should always be present for students, building a personal connection rather than managing from a distance. Inspired by this, we create a family-like atmosphere with green spaces, parent-teacher collaboration, and extracurricular activities. Our focus on holistic development includes sports, cultural events, and counseling, ensuring students grow beyond academics. Unlike other self-financing colleges, we prioritize student engagement and happiness.

What makes Don Bosco institutions unique? Don Bosco himself.

Fr. Boby John Director, Don Bosco College, Kottiyam

EDITORIAL

The Triumph of Art and Unity at Yavanika 2025

The recently concluded Yavanika 2025 Arts Fest at Don Bosco College was more than just a cultural competition; it was a grand spectacle of artistic talent, teamwork, and relentless determination. The festival saw enthusiastic participation from eight departments, each bringing its unique flair and passion to the stage. However, it was the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) department that scripted history by clinching their first-ever championship title with an impressive 262 points. This victory stands as a testament to perseverance, collaboration, and the spirit of healthy competition. As noted by Mary Netto, the BBA HOD, this achievement is not just about winning but about overcoming obstacles together as a family. The department's unity and dedication set an inspiring example for future participants. The significance of such events extends beyond trophies and rankings. The Arts Fest is a melting pot of talent, where students from diverse backgrounds come together to express creativity, face their stage fears, and refine their artistic intelligence. As emphasized by the Director of Don Bosco College, arts serve as a "practical lesson for life," instilling teamwork and confidence in students—qualities that extend far beyond the stage.

However, the festival also highlighted the evolving dynamics of student participation. While many engaged whole-heartedly in competitions, others were distracted by social media, missing out on a rare chance to showcase their hidden talents. This raises an important question: Are we truly embracing opportunities for self-growth, or are we letting digital distractions hold us back?

The festival rankings reveal a tight contest, with Social Work securing second place (211 points), followed by BCA (187), Psychology (178), and English (124). The competitive spirit and sportsmanship among departments underscored the essence of the event—bringing students together in a celebration of culture and excellence As the curtains close on Yavanika 2025, one thing is clear: art is not just entertainment; it is empowerment. The BBA department's victory will be remembered, but the real success lies in the festival's ability to inspire students, bridge gaps between departments, and foster a sense of unity that transcends competition Here's to another year of creativcamaraderie, and unyielding passion for the arts. May Yavanika continue to be a beacon of artistic brilliance in the years to come!



The Theatre Club Workshop at Don Bosco College, Kottiyam, was inaugurated by Kiran Christopher, Principal Y Joy Sir, and Arya Miss, with active

Theatre Club Workshop Inauguration at Don Bosco College

Don Bosco College recently hosted a Basic Theatre Workshop, led by the renowned comedian and mimicry artist, Mr. Kiran Christopher. Known for his remarkable skills in comedy and mimicry, Mr. Christopher is a prominent figure in Kerala University's cultural scene. The event was organized with the support of Ms. Arya, Assistant Professor of the BA Department, who played a key role in making this occasion a reality. The workshop was an excellent opportunity for students to hone their theatrical skills under the

guidance of one of the best in the field. The program kicked off at 10:30 AM with an interactive session, where participants engaged in various theatre drills, creating an atmosphere of fun and excitement. The students enjoyed the activities immensely and actively participated in each segment, showcasing their enthusiasm and talent. The workshop culminated at 12:30 PM, with Ms. Arya delivering the closing speech. The event was a significant occasion, offering valuable experiences to sharpen the skills of the participants.



Don Bosco College to Host Documentary Screening and Commemoration

Kottiyam: February 5 – Don Bosco College, Kottayam, in collaboration with its Malayalam Department and Film Club, is set to host a special event, Sultanalele Kanav (Documentary Screening and Commemoration). The program is scheduled to take place on February 5 at 10:30 AM in the college auditorium.

The event will feature an inauguration by Dr. Rajeev Mohan R, Director of Media Studies at Thunchathezhuthachan Malayalam University, Tirur. Following the inauguration, there will be a screening of a docu-fiction film.

In addition to the documentary screening, the event will also include a commemoration ceremony honoring artists who have recently passed away, acknowledging their contributions to the field of arts and media. The event is open to all students, faculty, and the general public to attend and participate in the discussions. The event is being led under the guidance of Dr. Y. Joy, Principal and Dr. Fr. Bobby John, Director This initiative reflects the college's commitment to fostering film culture and preserving the memory of artists who have enriched the field.

Don Bosco College Students Lend a Hand: 'Kannirinu Oru Kai' Program

Kottiyam: In a heartwarming display of compassion and social responsibility, the students and faculty members of Don Bosco College have come together to launch a noble initiative called "KANNIRINU ORU KAI" (A Helping Hand program). This program aims to provide support to those in need. The event was inaugurated by Chief Guest Adv. Muraleedharan Pillai, Syndicate Member of Kerala University. The funds for this program were raised through a unique and exciting initiative, where a 20 ₹ coupon with a lucky draw was distributed. The lucky draw was conducted on February 5th, 2025.



The "KANNIRINU ORU KAI" program is a shining example of the college's commitment to social welfare and community service. The students and faculty members have demonstrated remarkable enthusiasm and dedication to this cause, raising almost 7 Lakh rupees. The college administration has expressed its gratitude to all participants and supporters of this initiative.





"I am extremly happy that the BBA had won. Moreover, I consider this

as the victory of our BBA family. There were a lot of obstacles but we overcame all of that. By sharing our wins and loses with each other and giving our best all together gave us success. I am very happy and proud to be a part of our BBA family."

Mary Netto BBA HOD

BBA

Assnt.Professor



"It's been 4 years since I've been the association incharge and since then we've been trying to become arts champions.

For that all of our students mainly our first years had tried their best. I would say that it's because of the arrival of the first years that were able to achieve this dream. I would like to thank, our department and our college who supported us in financial terms, all the students of our BBA for making this dream come true after hardworking for 4 years. Nowfal.A



"Arts fest is held in our college in a colorful manner unlike any other college in Kerala. Reason for giving so much importance to arts is because every student has different Type of intelligence so on behalf of developing each and every intelligence through a grand celebration of arts. House of arts is the name of college in malayalam, as it's name suggests it's a house for students to develop their arts skills and intelligence.

The aim of arts is to make a large number of participants and unity and and making connection between juniors and seniors of each departments by doing programmes on stage they get rid of their stage fear and also learn to give up certain situations. For students it's a "practical for life"and that homework was masterd by our department of "BBA". hardwork,teamwork were all enjoyable to me .we got to see a lot variety of programmes congratulations to all students. Something I got to see was some students were actively participating in certain programmes while others were busy with instagram and also I noticed that participants for certain programmes were reducing.but on the good side over 600 students participated on the events.for some of them it was their first college stage.also got to see the students hidden talents. A special thanks should be said to the college Union. They have worked very hard.they helped in conducting more than 58 programmes and it's a big deal. I also wish that on the upcoming arts would be conducted where everyone would get their on space without getting competitive against each other making it more colourful". Director

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Kottiyam



A glimpse of the energetic and talented participants who made this year's year's Arts Fest a grand success, showcasing creativity, unity, and passion





Yavanika 2025: A Vibrant Celebration of Arts!

BBA leads the competition with an impressive 262 points, showing strong participation and performance. Social Work secures second place with 211 points, maintaining a significant lead over BCA. BCA holds third place with 187 points, just ahead of Psychology, which follows closely with 178 points. A tight competition between English (124), Finance (123), and the Taxation (119), showing a close contest in the mid-rank positions. BIS trails with 57 points, ina lower dicating participation or performance in the over performance and program







POINT TABLE		
Rank	Department	Points
1	BBA	262
2	Social Work	211
3	BCA	187
4	Psychology	178
5	English	124
6	Finance	123
7	Taxation	119
8	BIS	57



The event aimed to promote fitness, mental strength, and the spirit of adventure. Medical support and hydration points ensured a safe and enjoyable experience for all. Organizers applauded the dedication of the participants, emphasizing the importance of such initiatives in fostering a culture of health and teamwork.

Abhimanyu Completes 100km Cycling Challenge at Thiruvella

Thiruvella - Abhimanyu, a first-year BSc Psychology student from Don Bosco College, Luthyan, successfully completed a grueling 100km cycling challenge at Thiruvella. The event, organized by the IT department of Believers Church Medical College Hospital, witnessed enthusiastic participation from cyclists across all districts of Kerala. The ride commenced at 6 AM, with cyclists pushing through diverse terrains, testing their endurance and resilience. Abhimanyu, along with fellow participants, showcased remarkable determination, crossing the finish line by 11 AM.

Abhimanyu's remarkable feat not only highlights his physical stamina but also his mental fortitude, proving that the mind plays an integral role in achieving extraordinary goals. His success at the 100km challenge serves as a testament to the power of discipline focus, and the pursuit of personal growth,

DON BOSCO COLLEGE NSS UNIT EX-TENDS HELP IN HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

Kottiyam: February 5, 2025 – In a remarkable act of community service, the National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers of Don Bosco College, Kottiyam, joined hands to assist in the construction of a house for an underprivileged resident of Adichanalloor Panchayath. Guided by Fr. Joby, Ajay Sir, Johnson Sir, Ajin Sir, Archith Sir, and Lalu Sir, a team of 15 dedicated NSS volunteers from Semester 1 actively participated in the initiative. Their hard work and commitment to social welfare were widely appreciated by the local community and college administration.

The volunteers engaged in various construction activities, demonstrating teamwork and a strong spirit of service. From laying the foundation to painting and final finishing touches, every member contributed their skills, leaving an indelible mark on the project. Their efforts reflect the core values of NSS, emphasizing selfless contributions to society.



This initiative reinforces Don Bosco College's commitment to social responsibility and community development, inspiring more students to take part in similar humanitarian efforts in the future. Such endeavors not only enhance the physical well-being of the community but also foster a culture of giving back, further strengthening the bond between the college and its surroundingsstrengthening the bond between the college and its surroundings. The volunteers' participation highlights the profound impact small acts of kindness can have in transforming lives.



DON BOSCO COLLEGE HOSTS AKHIL MEMORIAL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Kottiyam: January 25, 2025 - The Akhil Memorial Interdepartmental Football Tournament kicked off with great enthusiasm at Don Bosco College, Kottiyam, under the organization of the Department of Physical Education. The tournament, at 7:00 AM and saw spirited participation from various departments. The event was organized in memory of Akhil, a cherished member of the college community, whose passion for football continues to inspire students. The tournament aimed to foster teamwork, discipline, and sportsmanship among participants. The matches were marked by intense competition, with teams displaying exceptional skill and strategy. Supporters cheered from the sidelines adding to the electrifying atmosphere. After a series of gripping encounters, the final match

concluded with a thrilling victory for the winning department, which was awarded the championship trophy. The Physical Education Department expressed gratitude to all teams and spectators for making the event a success. College officials commended held on the college ground, began the players for their dedication and highlighted the importance of sports in personal and academic growth.

> With the success of this year's tournament, Don Bosco College aims to continue promoting sports culture and plans to make the Akhil Memorial Tournament an annual tradition to honor the legacy of a passionate footballer and student. The tournament has already garnered significant attention from both students and local residents, with more teams expressing interest in participating next year. It has also created an opportunity for young athletes to showcase their talent



