

## **THE INAUGURATION OF HISTORY ASSOCIATION 2022- 2023**

The Inauguration of History Association 2022-23 was conducted at VISCOM Preview Theater on 19<sup>th</sup> of September, 2022. Dr. B P Jayachandran, Former Head of the Department graced the occasion by being the Chief Guest of the day. The event was co-hosted by 2<sup>nd</sup> year PG Students- Ms. Amina and Ms. Shivani.

Invoking God's blessings followed by Tamil thai vazhthu, the program commenced with the Welcome Address of the Head of the Department Dr. D. Anuradha. She iterated the importance of the Loyola Forum for Historical Research (LFHR) for which the seeds were sown during her predecessor, pointing to Dr. B P Jayachandran. She took immense pride in students running the activities of the association and the faculties who were behind the success of its functioning.

After the welcome address, the ceremony was followed by lighting the lamp by the dignitaries, and Department Secretaries. Dr. Biju Joseph P.J., Assistant Professor (SHIFT - 1) honored the Guest with a shawl and Dr. I Princess, Assistant Professor (SHIFT - 1) felicitated the Guest with a memento.

Mr. Hareesh LS, Assistant Professor (SHIFT 2) introduced the Chief Guest who relished his memories being a former student of Dr. BP Jayachandran. He was a faculty in the Department of History from 1984-2016. As the Head of the Department from 2010-2015 he was instrumental in creation of LFHR (Loyola Forum For Historical Research). He was also Student Faculty Advisor (ICAF). He was a crowd favorite because of his sense of humor and inspired the students. He encouraged field visits-based learning.

Followed by this was the Chief Guest's address for students. He was a vibrant speaker who repeatedly wanted students to enjoy their life cheerfully. He appreciated the efforts of the whole department in continuing the activities of the association and also individually appreciated the staff members. He stressed the important role the library plays in a student's life and on application of the learned concepts. He also reminisced his memories as a student in the department and encouraged the students to move beyond the said limits of every area in History. He further shed light upon the opportunities from a wider sphere for students of History.

Next, the Annual Proceedings of the LFHR were released by Dr. B. P. Jayachandran. It was given to the dignitaries and students from 2<sup>nd</sup> PG – Ms. Maria Carvalho, Ms. Vinoliya and Mr. Nikhil Kumar. Visual presentation of the activities of the association was followed by the Investiture Ceremony for the Office Bearers of 2022-23.

Dr. R. Xavier, President of the Association for Shift I presented the office bearers of Shift I for the Investiture ceremony. Then, Mrs. Karoliya Jhansi Rani, President of History Association for Shift II presented the office bearers of Shift II for the Investiture ceremony.

The following are the office bearers of the Loyola History Association 2022-2023, inclusive of Shift I and II.

1. Department Secretary - Mr. Pechi Muthu (S I) & Mr. Prem Arvind (S II)
2. Joint Secretary - Mr. Iniyam (I) & Mr. Karthick Balaji (II)
3. Cultural Secretary - Mr. Kishore Kumar (I) & Mr. Arvind Rahul (II)
4. Sports Secretary - Mr. Surya Prakash (I) & Mr. Kavin (II)
5. 3<sup>rd</sup> UG Class Rep. - Mr. Samuel Stewart (I) & Mr. Gokul (II)
6. 2<sup>nd</sup> UG Class Rep - Mr. Vishag (I) & Mr. Sai Varshan (II)
7. 1<sup>ST</sup> UG Class Rep. - Mr. Samuel (I) & Mr. Roshan Steve (II)
8. PG secretary (Shift II) - Ms. Vinoliya Rose (II)
9. 2<sup>nd</sup> PG Class Rep. - Ms. Maria Glory Lauren Carvalho (II)
10. 1<sup>st</sup> PG Class Rep. - Mr. Melvin George (II)

Mr. Pechi Muthu and Mr. Prem Arvind, Secretaries of the Association Shift I and II, respectively presented before the gathering the activities of the association and promised to be a worthy leader. It was followed by the release of a promotional visual presentation of the educational trip to Mysore.

Mrs. Karoliya Jhansi Rani, President of the Association Shift II gave the Vote of Thanks by thanking the dignitaries, staff and the students for their cooperation in making the event a success.