

Loyola Award - 2018

Loyola College recognizes the meritorious alumnus or alumne/a with Loyola Award every year for the outstanding contribution to the society. On 27.11.2019, Loyola Award 2018 was bestowed upon Shri. N. Ramachandran, Executive Director, India Cements Ltd. & former President, Madras Chamber of Commerce and Industry for his yeoman service to persons with Down Syndrome, revitalizing the youth of our country with his substantial contribution to Sports & Games and transformational leadership in building a better society. Further, Shri. N. Ramachandran was hailed as the one who manifested the finest values of maintaining human relationship, being a Good Samaritan and transforming the youth of India all through his career, acquired from his formative years at Loyola College in 1964 for PUC and later Anna University for B.Tech.

Addressing the staff and students on the occasion on the need for taking care of persons with Down Syndrome, Dr.Surekha Ramachandran, Vice President of Down Syndrome Federation of India said, "Down syndrome is not a disease but a disorder to be understood with compassion and support, so that these persons will live with dignity."

She also invited the students to pay special attention to this syndrome and spend at least part of their life time to revitalize the lives of many affected with Down syndrome.

Presenting the award to Shri N. Ramachandran, Rev. Dr Francis Xavier, SJ, Rector, Loyola College said that it is the responsibility of everyone in the society to be supportive to persons with Down Syndrome and applauded the family of Shri Ramachandran that has dedicated its time to the upliftment of these differently abled persons.

Rev. Dr A.Thomas, SJ, Principal welcomed the guests and explained the purpose of Loyola Award as an act of recognizing alumni of Loyola College for their outstanding and committed service to society.

Dr Melchias Gabriel, Deputy Principal Proposed vote of thanks and Prof. Antoine Lebel, Vice Principal introduced the chief guest. Dr. Dorathy Pushparani, Vice Principal (shift II) anchored the programme. Executive members of LAA and some notable Alumni members were also present for the programme.