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By The Students For The Students

“Loyola Insider is an e-journal intending to give all Loyolites a bird’s eye view of the campus news. It brings to you in brief the activities, events and information that you may be part, yet unaware of.”

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FROM THE DESK OF



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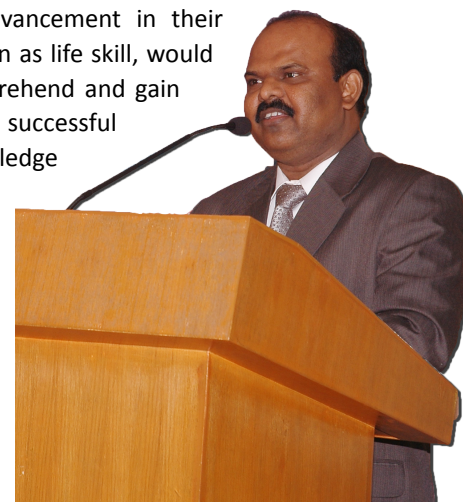
I am extremely happy to share some of my thoughts with our students through Loyola Insider. As Loyolites, you are all aware that Loyola aims at imparting holistic education and all-round development of students. Education includes knowledge, discipline and character. While the students are encouraged to be toppers in academics, they are also expected to be disciplined both inside and outside the College campus.

Diligence and Regularity awards have been introduced this academic year 2015 -16 to encourage the students to improve their overall attendance and thereby improve their academic performance. I encourage every student to aim for the diligence and regularity award. This year students are permitted to use camera mobile phones inside the campus. Remember to use them with responsibility.

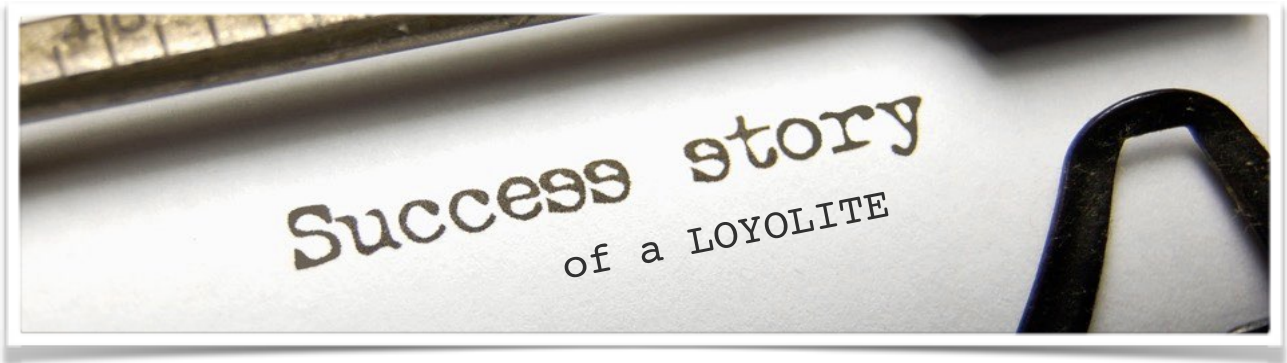
As examinations are fast approaching, I earnestly appeal to all the students to plan ahead and get ready. Remember that once a Loyolite is always a Loyolite and it's your responsibility to join hands with the management, officials and professors to take Loyola to greater heights.

The most important skill 21st century learners should possess for advancement in their education, profession and life is 'learning to learn'. This study skill, otherwise known as life skill, would prepare us to organize our learning, identify opportunities, solve problems, comprehend and gain new knowledge, transfer the knowledge in relevant contexts and experience a successful career and lead a harmonious life. Thus, the skill development would result in knowledge enrichment and positive attitude. These three factors namely attitude, skill and knowledge play a crucial role in shaping up 'highly effective persons'.

Loyola Insider, the first magazine exclusive, creates space for students to develop much required employment quotient. Those who contribute towards making the e-journal a reality gain much expected competence and prove their actual performance. Hence, the advantage is reciprocal. Members of editorial board deserve a pat on their back for the wonderful display of journalistic skills. Surely, more number of students would involve themselves in this venture and make the most of it. Let us remember 'Excel' is the watchword of Loyola College.



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Mr. R. James John Britto

CA ALL-INDIA TOPPER

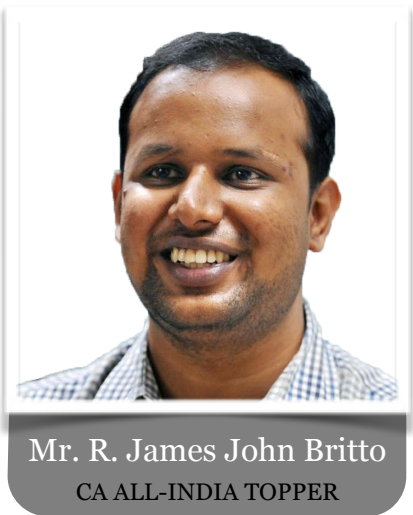
Mr. James John Britto R, an All-India Topper in Chartered Accountancy Examination, is an alumnus of Loyola College. After his schooling in Don Bosco, Egmore, he obtained his B.Com degree from Loyola College, Chennai in 2013. He has been a brilliant student all through his academic career.

He secured 3rd rank in class X and emerged State First in German in Class XII. He obtained a scholarship to visit Germany for three weeks for securing the highest marks during Class XI. In addition, he received Rashtrapathi Award (President Award) for scouting. He was a gold medalist in Loyola College.

He went on to secure the following ranks at All India level: Company Secretary, Foundation - 19th Rank, Executive - 4th Rank, Professional - 12th Rank and Chartered Accountant, Final-1st Rank. At present, he is doing articleship at Sharp & Tannan as a Chartered Accountant handling audits for a number of companies. Thus, excellence has been the watch word for James John Britto R.

‘Studying hard for 10 -12 hours on an average every day’ is the basic of his success. Besides, it required meticulous planning, strategy and hard work on his part to achieve this remarkable feat.

Loyola, the alma mater of James John Britto R, takes pride in honouring him during the 88th Graduation Ceremony, where so many graduates felt motivated to emulate his example.



“SUCCESS DOESN’T COME TO YOU,
YOU GO TO IT”



CAMPUS NEWS

PONGAL & VEEDHI VIRUDHU VIZHA

Loyola Students Support Services (LSSS), Loyola College, Chennai together with Alternative Media Centre has organized an enthralling **state level Folk Arts performance 'VEEDHI VIRUDHU VIZHA'** for the 3rd consecutive year on 9th & 10th Jan, 2016 at Loyola College. There were around 1150 artists of 50 groups from 32 districts of Tamil Nadu taking part in this mega event. The Officials of the College, Rev. Fr. Jayapathy Francis, SJ, Rector, Rev. Fr. Lazar, SJ, Secretary and Rev. Dr. G. Joseph Antony Samy, SJ, Principal, Loyola College graced the grand occasion. Rev.Fr. Joseph Antony Jacob, SJ, Vice Principal, Loyola College & Director, LSSS presented the objectives and

Dr. Arunan, an eminent educationist & writer, TMAKS, delivered the inaugural address highlighting the fact that Art and Literature are all meant for people. Thenisai Thendral Deva, President, TAMIL NADU IYAL ISAI NADAGA MANDRAM inaugurated the mega event and promised the Government's support and solidarity with the folk artists. The day's events included enchanting performance of arts of all kinds by the artists, motivating speeches on the importance of the folk arts by renowned speakers. The grand rally was taken out on 10 Jan, 2016 by more than 1000 artists of Tamil Nadu from Valluvar Kottam to



dynamics of the program and requested the continual support of the Tamil Nadu Government for the dying folk arts. Dr. Kaleeshwaran, the organizer of VEEDHI VIRUDHU VIZHA welcomed the dignitaries and folk artists and thanked the management for this fine gesture of recognizing and encouraging the folk artists of the Land.



Loyola College who decorated the streets of Chennai with folk music and dance of the whole of Tamil Nadu and set a festive mood in the Capital. The two day gathering of the folk artists gave hope to the dwindling folk arts and to the livelihood of the unsung artists.

67th Republic Day celebration 2016

Flag hoisting ceremony was organized by Loyola Students Union at 7.00am in the portico of St. Ignatius of Loyola. The republic day was made memorable with a speech given by Prof.G.Ramamurthy, Deputy Principal and Mr.L.Joseph Anton unfurled the National Flag. Rev.Fr.Principal and Rev.Fr.Secretary were the guests of honour .



Graduation Day 2016



The 88th graduation day was celebrated on 23rd January 2016 for 1820 candidates who completed their bachelors, masters, MPhil degrees, of which 481 are employed, 105 have become entrepreneurs and 724 are pursuing their higher studies. The meaningful prayer followed by an introduction was followed by the facilitation of the chief guest, Dr. N. Manickam, Senior Scientist, DRDO, Ministry of Defence, Hyderabad. The Principal lead all the candidates into the oath taking. The Chief Guest's address to the new Graduates was filled with great many quips of wisdom for their life ahead. The distribution of awards for all the rank holders began with the honouring of Mr.James John Britto, the topper of all India CA exam followed by the gold medalists of various departments and outstanding differently abled students by all the eminent



dignitaries on stage. The conferring of the degree certificate to the queues of the golden yellow robed MPhil Scholars, Post Graduates and black robed UG Graduates of all the departments were undertaken by the Chief guest and the Principal. Finally the Principal addressed all the new Graduates and exhorted them to let their light shine and make their mark in the world.



Rev.Fr.L.D.Murphy Memorial Football Tournament -2016

Loyola Retained the Murphy Trophy

Loyola College, Chennai beat St.Joseph’s,Trichy in the finals of the Rev.Fr.L.D.Murphy Memorial Football tournament organized by Loyola College from 21st to 26th January 2016. Loyola ‘s first goal was scored by Sarath Raj through a penalty kick and the second goal was scored by Edwin. In the last minute of the game



St.Joseph’s scored their goal through heading near the post by Siva.

Final placings :

Winners : Loyola College, Chennai.

Runners –Up : St .Joseph’s College, Trichy

3rd : St.Joseph College of Commerce ,Bengaluru

4th : PSMO College, Kerala



Sports Day 2016

Annual Sports Day of Loyola College for shift I &

Shift II was celebrated on January 29, 2016 and January 30, 2016 respectively.



Rev. Fr. A. M. Jayapathy Francis SJ, Rector, Rev. Dr. S. Lazar, SJ, Secretary &

Correspondent,

Rev. Dr. G. Joseph Antony Samy, S.J., Principal, Prof. G. Ramamurthy, Deputy Principal, Rev. Dr. John Bosco, President, Games and Sports presided over the sports day.

Mr. Mariadoss, administrative staff of Shift I and Mr. Kannagaraj, office in charge of Shift II were the guests of honour. As a sign of appreciation to the Armed Forces of India who rendered a yeomen service to the flood affected people in Chennai, the college invited the officers of Armed Forces, Shri Rear Admiral Alok Bhatnagar, NM, Flag Officer Commanding, Tamil Nadu and Puducherry Navel Area and Lt. Gen. Jagbir Singh, AVSM, SM, VSM, General Officer Commanding, Dakshin Bharath Area were invited to be the chief guests. Lt. Gen. Jagbir Singh, the chief guest illustrated self-discipline as the mantra of success in life and career. Further, he lauded the effort of LRRS during the time of deluge in Chennai.



RAIN THAT SHOOK CHENNAI



The Annual North East Monsoon, in November 2015 ravished the coramandel coast of South Indian Regions: Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, and Andhra Pradesh. Tamil Nadu received a persistent rainfall which caused massive damage to Chennai and some of its north interior districts: Kancheepuram, Tiruvallur, and Cuddalore. The deluge fed the low-lying territories of the capital city (Chennai) in flood water which forced its residents to evacuate on their own to seek refuge in safe areas.

The Initiation:

On December 2, 2015, Rev. Dr. G. Joseph Antony Samy, S.J., Principal, Loyola College along with a few staff volunteers visited the rain affected areas located around Loyola College. The floods had gushed into the streets of Namachivayapuram engulfing the residents and their living settlements, the devastation of the neighborhood was evident

The Plan of Action:

As a small beginning, the management initiated a core committee to discuss on handling the situation with remedial measures. The college management planned proactive measures to promptly address the pressing needs of the flood victims by organizing a relief camp: Loyola Rain Relief Service (LRRS)

The Valiant Volunteers and the Accommodation:

Loyola College, as a Jesuit Institution, has extended its support to 2500 plus people who were rendered homeless by the flood and played a vital role to ensure the safety of displaced families before the emergency responses from the government and other quarters.

Initially, the student volunteers visited the drowned areas and distributed food to the people. On observing the condition of the homeless victims, the college opened up its gates to the affected people. LRRS had 30 staff, and 250 energetic students, who served towards the relief measures. The volunteers of Loyola worked tirelessly to maximise the vistas of the relief measures.

Food And Amenities

Food and basic amenities were distributed to the inmates. The inmates were provided with bedsheets, mats and dresses. LRRS recognized that the affected people were in need of certain essentials to perform their routine. These much needed provisions were collected from the sponsors and were distributed to the people. The provisions kit included clothes, paste, brush, towels, mosquito coil and sanitary napkins.

Medical:

Along with food supplies, the medical needs were also taken care at a higher extent. The college provided various medical facilities for the affected people to prevent them from the epidemics of water-borne diseases. The volunteers distributed medicines and basic sanitation materials to women and children. A medical team consisting of 8 doctors offered medical treatment for nearly 1750 flood victims boarding in the Loyola premises.

SOME SALIENT FEATURES...

Recreation:

To keep the children entertained and to make them forget their worries, the volunteers conducted many fun games.

NCC team:

The NCC team of Loyola provided security for people who spent their days and nights and assisted the people who stayed in the camp.

Everyday Evaluation:

Rev. Dr. S. Lazar, SJ, Secretary & Correspondent, Loyola College conducted committee meetings regularly and initiated discussions for betterment of the camp. Every evening, the officials and the committee coordinators met to evaluate the strategies employed in procuring the materials and distributing it to the affected people.

Outreach distribution:

The department of Outreach having identified the needs of the flood affected people of 34 slum areas like Choolaimedu, Chinthathripet, Tenampet, Pudupet, Saidapet, distributed relief kits. Totally 5700 families benefitted from this measure.

LSSS distribution:

About 325 affected families of Loyola College students in and around Chennai were distributed rain relief kits. A counseling session was organized by AURA club to motivate the students of these families.

Other affected areas covered:

The Volunteers took the challenging task of distributing basic amenities to flood victims in other affected areas of Chennai, Cuddalore, Thiruvallur, and Kancheepuram districts. They rescued the flood victims and distributed food, water, clothes and medicines to the HIV patients. It's our pride to mention that our rescue team won the appreciation of becoming the first team to visit most of the areas affected by the flood.

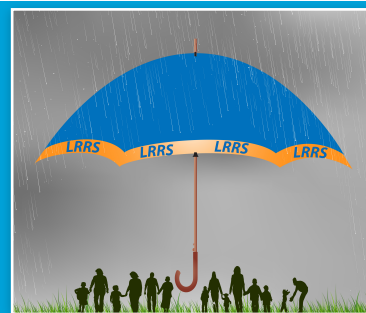
The Concluding function:

The people who found a safe haven at Loyola college had to start their life from the scratch. Having focused on this, Loyola took its next step on rehabilitation and reconstruction.

After a long night, a rehabilitation kit was prepared and the inmates were given a token per family. Every kit consisted of all the essential goods for a complete new start up of life for the refugees. All donors and sponsors were also invited for the meeting. Around 530 kits were distributed on that day. People were all satisfied and thanked the LRRS team for their hospitality and timely aid.

LRRS Thanks giving Ceremony:

On 26th of January, a thanks giving programme to LRRS donors and volunteers was organized by Loyola Rain Relief Service. Hundreds of volunteers and donors were present during the occasion. The services rendered to the flood affected victims during recent Chennai rain and deluge were appreciated by a great many.



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Loyola Rain Relief Service



Planning



Planning



Medical Camp



LRRS Team



Sponsors



Medical Camp



Ramapuram

Medical Camp



Kit





FOOTBALL

Loyola College(Chennai) retained the title, defeating St. Joseph's(Trichy) 2-1 in the final of the Rev. Fr. L.D. Murphy memorial football tournament.

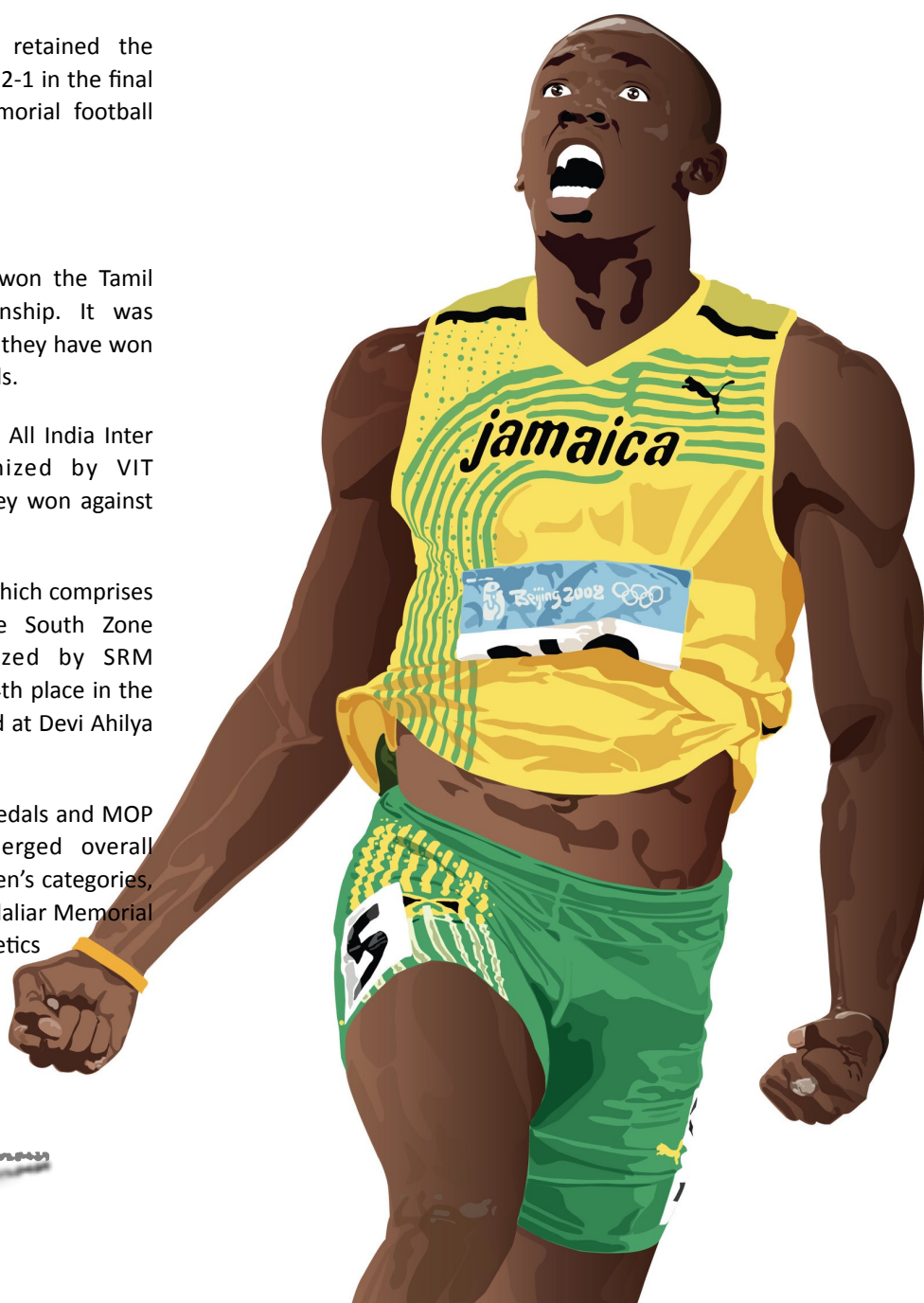
ATHLETICS

Our Junior Tennis team won the Tamil Nadu Inter University Championship. It was organized by SDAT at Ramnad and they have won against Anna University in the Finals.

Our Chess team won the All India Inter Collegiate Tournament organized by VIT University, Vellore. In the final they won against SSN Engineering College, Chennai.

Our Senior Tennis team which comprises of First year students won the South Zone Championship. It was organized by SRM University and they also secured 4th place in the All India Inter University Meet held at Devi Ahilya University, Indore.

Loyola College with 29 medals and MOP Vaishnav with 23 medals, emerged overall champions in the men's and women's categories, at the Dr A Lakshmanaswamy Mudaliar Memorial silver jubilee commemoration athletics meet held at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium.





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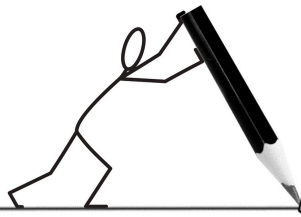
LOYOLA DREAM TEAM

ACHIEVEMENTS

WINNERS

- ★ JBDC Championship
- ★ IIT SAARANG
- ★ HINDOTSAV
- ★ LIBA





Students Corner

Mad Men

Mad men sitting around the round
table,
Men of legend, men of fable.
Mad men with their crowns, suits,
sceptre and tie,
Telling men whether they live or they
die.
To create thrones made of gold and
green,
Thinking that their madness is
unseen.
Mad men who fight for their lives
with passion so raw,
Not caring for a moment about order
and law.



The **Madness** is in
the mind,
The **Madness** is in
the heart,
The **Madness** is in
The soul,
The **Madness** is in
all.

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I AM PROUD TO BE A KHASI

“Shillong is my hometown, it’s in the northeastern part of India, in the state of Meghalaya. I belong to the Khasi tribe”

Meghalaya means ‘abode of clouds’ in Sanskrit. It is a small state but it is so enchanting and eye catching that it is also known as the Scotland of the east. Meghalaya is known for its music which is loved and adored by its inhabitants and those who discover it.

There are many things I could write regarding my state: its wonderful and pleasant weather, beautiful people, amazing and scenic places of interest and the list could go on. But there exists a unique feature which I love about Meghalaya that would strike you as strange, our culture follows a matrilineal system. We observe Matriarchy as opposed to the general culture of patriarchy.

In Meghalaya, when a baby girl is born she is welcomed with great jubilation and celebration. It is my pride in stating that Meghalaya is recognized to be the only society in India where women are known to play an equal and more important role in the societal system than men. The woman have rights over the house and to own property, which is sanctioned not by any recent act of the law but by the religious traditions and customs of the old. The children take their mothers name or title as well. Likewise I have taken my mother’s title and I believe it will continue for generations to come. In our culture, the youngest daughter is eligible to inherit the ancestral property and has the responsibility to look after and care for her parents.

Though my culture might seem odd and at loggerheads to the prevalent culture here, I would like to assert that Meghalaya’s culture is unique and beautiful and “I am proud to be a Khasi”



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MA ECONOMICS

I don't know, I can't do this
 I don't know, I may not get this
 I don't know, I don't want to try
 All I know is, I've lost something
 And that's what makes the tree of my life complete

I am halfway through my restless sleep
 Holding on to broken dreams and dreams
 I have neither heard any sweet lullabies
 Nor have I had any peaceful sleep
 I have wandered all through the city
 And still I didn't find the lost part

I'm given a new chance with each dawn
 But for me it is all in vain
 I still couldn't find or make a way
 The way to my lost part
 The day's drama is about to end
 I found many roles here and there
 But still I couldn't find my role
 Owing to my lost part

I cease at this moving scene
 Out there in the common playground
 A lame girl tries to basket the ball
 A bunch of kids around her clap around her
 Each time trying to push her out!
 Out of her bounds of disability into capability
 They are behind her flying colours
 Pushing her around the ground to achieve
 Celebrating with her, her little victories
 Full of energy, vibrance and innocence
 Enjoying their precious gift
 Least concerned of anything around.

This left me with a reflection
 One which moved my heart from its very bottom
 Yes, now the lost part makes me happy and sad
 The lost part will never come back
 Once lost, forever lost, it has left me in pain
 But now I believe and know I can
 Because I have accepted its loss
 If I am nothing I can be anything and anything is possible
 I can try and achieve, learn to overcome
 Yes, and the next day will be mine!

The Lost Part

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TO WHICH DO I LET DOWN? SCIENCE OR SUPERSTITION

All my life I have conscientiously followed the traditional values taught to me by my parents. As an amateur in my childhood, I was a puritanical boy, never forgetting the practice of going to temple and wearing sacred ash all over my body. I remember asking myself a question, "from where and from who did the life of god commence?", but I don't remember getting an answer to my question (even from the priests).

Later on, as more questions arose, I slowly began to change my path from devotional practices. To say frankly, for some period, I played an antagonist role against religion. Once I had a mindset that, physics is just a subject which deals with academics, till I understood the essence of science. I have tried reading both scientific and religious books to get answers about God and the origin of the universe. It was only later that I realized that this was a wrong thing to do. I should have confined to a single idea either in religion or science. My lack of expertise in either of these troubled me as I did not completely understand any one of them. This led me to an agitated state of mind in which I am still oscillating.

When we talk of science and superstition, it appears as though we are trying to put two opposite entities together and by doing so put forth an awkward act. As science advances, it shatters the illusionary and self-created fantasy worlds of the people. On one hand science appeals to reason, logic and is explainable. But superstition failed to show these three qualities. Sometimes I used to wonder the act of gurukkal in the temple, the way they act and dance. It seems that they are possessed by God. It appears to me as a trick to collect some money or to get the attention of devotional visitors. But there is one thing which nags me constantly. Why the visitors do the same act like the gurukkal? This question stops me from jumping into a conclusion. The reason behind the higher hierarchy level of science than superstition is that science explains things with proof, whereas in superstition, information is available only in books and sayings, which fails to prove its status. Many educated people in India never accept the practice of serving curd to their children before exams. To them, it is a kind of superstition activity, but none of them know that, an acid name "oleic acid" contained in the curd naturally calms and relaxes, which is scientifically proven.

This is where the program actually starts. We argue without knowing the difference between science and God. Leaving the warmth of their dreams is one of the most difficult things for people to do and so, of course, most of them don't do it. As Francis Bacon said "we prefer to believe what we prefer to be true". Our world is one where there is no single answer to any question and is not built with clear ideas.

So, as an indecisive teenager and as a puritanical teenager and as a physics student, I find no other way, than following a system of AGNOSTICISM.

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