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Kerala Floods: What are your thoughts?



Rescuers helping a family on a boat during the Kerala floods. (Image Courtesy: Indian Express)

Ignatius Arun

Kerala, well-known as “God’s own country”, for its beautiful coconut groves, backwaters, natural habitats and lot more is now going under a tremendous loss and agony caused by the floods. The worst floods in a Century has killed over 230 people since August 8 and caused colossal loss of property, agriculture, and infrastructure, which the state has estimated to the tune of 21,000 crore. After facing such a dreadful calamity, the entire state has come to a standstill and is now trying to reconcile from the verge of

devastation. Springlight spoke to some of the students of St. Joseph’s Evening College (SJEC) to find out how they feel about Kerala floods, and how they can stretch their arm to restore the state of Kerala.

Several parts of Kerala are devastated completely due to the heavy flood and rainfall. “Most of the people have lost all their hard-earned assets and are now taken shelter in relief camps. What they have lost can’t be replaced or returned in a short span of time and the government can only provide limited compensation for their massive loss,” said Vineeta Jose, I M.Com.

There is an urgent need to restore things back to normal in Kerala. Despite all the challenges, the people of Kerala have come forward to join hands and celebrate

the festival of ‘Onam’. “Nothing has stopped our people to celebrate the festival,” said Roseline Diana, III B. Com. “We are scattered and affected by the floods, but we have united together for Onam. This was possible only through unity and dignity that is inherited by all Keralites,” she added.

Since the flood, Kerala is striving to reconstruct the state with all the help pouring from other states. Everyone is contributing to the relief funds to play an active role in reconstructing the state with all they can. “As part of our contribution, we have joined hands with some of our friends who are dancers, rappers and other stage artists to do performance and donate the money earned through it for Kerala flood fund,” said Shoab, III BBA.

World Entrepreneurs’ Day at Campus

Ignatius Arun

The Department of Business Administration (BBA) observed the World Entrepreneurs’ Day on August 21. The celebrations that marked a day of respect for all the entrepreneurs across the globe was organised by a group of students from BBA third year.

To mark the occasion of World Entrepreneurs’ Day, a short motivational video on ‘success in life’ was screened at the SJEC quadrangle for the students. This video was presented to create awareness on entrepreneurship, innovation and leadership throughout the world, and to encourage students to take up the path of entrepreneurship for further growth of our country. “Today, the scope for entrepreneurship has reduced due to the risks involved in starting a new venture. This is the reason most of us fear to take entrepreneurship as a career,” said Rustom Kindo Joy, third year BBA student of SJEC. Several students watched the video and understood the need for entrepreneurship in our nation.

Synergy 2018: Intra-class Management Fest

Sadiya & Rajesh

The Department of Business Administration (BBA) organized prelims and final round of business quiz programs to kickstart Synergy 2018 event, an annual intra-class management fest for BBA students.

The quiz program is one of the several events planned as part of the 10th Synergy 2018. Prof. Mohd Umair, a renowned quiz master and a professor of the Commerce department of the college conducted the quiz program. The first round was conducted on August 24 and the final round on August 25 respectively. In the first round, the participating

teams had to take a preliminary test. The finalized teams competed on stage.

Students actively participated in the quiz program. Questions on various topics related to business, banking, finance and marketing were posed during the quiz.

Quiz program complemented the Synergy’s vision and objective to nurture various business administration skills. The objective of the fest is to provide opportunity for all the students to exhibit their managerial skills.

Sinchana displays diverse Kannada talent

Sadiya Waheed

The Department of Kannada of St Joseph’s Evening College (Autonomous), Bangalore organised an inter-class competition called Sinchana from August 20 onwards. The week-long competition was inaugurated by principal, Dr. Albert Smith and HOD of Kannada Department, Dr. Mathew. The various events included essay writing, debate, collage making, pick and speak, among others.

Department of Hindi celebrates Independence Day

Sadiya Waheed

The Department of Hindi celebrated Independence Day on August 20 by conducting various competitions such as collage making, pick and speak, quiz and essay writing. The program included audio visual presentation showing the progress of India.

OSSA Inauguration

Jigme Namdol

On August 20, the Outstation Student Association (OSSA) was inaugurated with cultural programme at the quadrangle of the college.

The celebrations for the day included folk dance, theme song and a traditional bamboo dance. A video presentation on the culture of North-Eastern states was also screened.

The event was presided over by the guest of honour, Rev.Fr. Arun D’souza, the Director, SJEC and Dr. Albert Smith, Principal, SJEC. The organisers of the programme were Mr.Dav Fod, Mr.John Paul and Mr.Murthy.

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