

CMS CONNECT



Deeksharambh for PG commenced on June 17, marking the beginning of a new academic journey for the PG students



PRINCIPAL'S NOTE Prof. Dr. Anju Sosan George

The reopening of our college gates marks a cherished moment of renewal, hope, and shared purpose, welcoming students and faculty back to a campus that is more than a place of learning—it is a living heritage of knowledge, inquiry, and transformation. CMS College has long stood as a beacon of academic excellence and social progress, nurturing minds that have gone on to serve society with distinction and vision.

May our classrooms be alive with curiosity, our interactions guided by mutual respect, and our efforts shaped by excellence and service, as we honor the past and work together to build a vibrant, inclusive, and inspiring learning community.

Faculty Retreat



The academic year at CMS College Kottayam (Autonomous) commenced with a Faculty Retreat for the teaching staff on 1 June 2026 at the Great Hall. The retreat, titled "Renewing Purpose and Excellence," featured an inspiring keynote address by Shri Jiji Thomson, IAS, who reflected on the values of purposeful leadership, professional integrity, and the pursuit of excellence in higher education.



CMS College mourns the demise of its former Principal Rev. Prof. M C John (103), on 11 April 2026. Achen's funeral was on 13 April at St. Paul's CSI Church, Mooledom. The College and its various organisations paid formal tributes to the departed soul on the occasion.



Rev. M. C. John - the Priest Principal

When the bell tolled for Rev. M. C. John on April 11, 2026, it seemed to mark the passing of an age shaped by true spirituality, simplicity and unwavering principle. He was a rare soul whose life reflected the College's motto, "Thy Word is Truth," not as a slogan but as a way of being.

Born on February 24, 1923, John Achen pursued Botany and Theology, later joining CMS College as Lecturer, Chaplain and Head of the Department of Botany. In 1977, he became Principal at a time of unrest, and through firmness, wisdom, and spiritual depth, he restored harmony, strengthened the institution, and helped shape its growth with enduring integrity.

Even after retirement, he remained closely bound to the College, encouraging its memorials, publications, and fellowship of retired teachers with quiet devotion. He was, in every sense, one of God's good men, and his life continues to stand as an inspiring example of service, faith, and selfless commitment.

Dr. Susan Varghese
Former HOD - English
President - Fellowship of Retired Teachers



Faculty Development Programme



The three-day Faculty Development Programme for the Self-Financing Departments at CMS College Kottayam, held from 2 to 4 June 2026, focused on strengthening teaching practices and professional growth.

It began with a workshop on "AI Tools in Teaching and Learning" by Prof. A. R. Ramesh, followed by sessions from UBCHEA on "Teaching: A Journey in Whole Person Education," emphasizing holistic and learner-centred education. The programme reflected the college's commitment to innovation, academic excellence, and holistic formation.

Organ Donation Forum Inaugurated



The Aalin Memorial Organ Donation Forum led by the Youth Movement of the Diocese in association with Kerala State Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation and the NSS unit of our college was inaugurated on June 11, marking a meaningful step toward promoting awareness on the value of organ donation and the gift of life.

The initiative reflects the college's commitment to social responsibility, compassion, and community service.

“Pakshivanam” Project Launched



CMS College inaugurated the University-level Pakshivanam (Bird Forest) Project, a joint initiative of the NSS, Mahatma Gandhi University, and the Jayaraj Foundation. The project was formally inaugurated by the Irrigation and Housing Minister Shri Mons Joseph, with Kerala Assembly Speaker Shri Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan presiding and Prof. Dr. C. T. Aravindakumar, former VC of MGU delivering the keynote address.

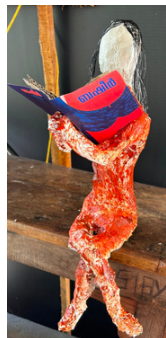
Launched simultaneously across nearly one hundred affiliated colleges, the initiative reflects a shared commitment to environmental stewardship, while the NSS Unit of CMS College successfully coordinated the programme.

‘The English Graph’ Inaugurated



The consultancy and extension initiatives of the Department of English were inaugurated at Bethel Ashram Schools (Warikkad, Tiruvalla) by Rev C Y Thomas (Visitor, Bethel Ashram) on June 12. The programme envisages year long training and skill development for both teachers and students of the school, where our retired teachers, present faculty, alumni and students will be facilitators.

Reading Week Competitions



As part of the Reading Week celebrations, the Department of Malayalam organised a series of literary competitions in the month of June, to encourage reading, critical thinking, and effective communication among students.

The events included an Extempore Speech Competition, a Book Presentation Competition, and a Reading Quiz based on selected Malayalam literary works by renowned authors such as G. R. Indugopan, Innocent, S. K. Pottekkatt, Madhavikutty, and Edasseri. Students enthusiastically participated in the competitions, showcasing their reading habits, public speaking skills, and appreciation of contemporary and classic Malayalam literature.

Obituary



It is with deep sorrow that we remember Mohammad Saif, second year student at the Department of B.Voc (Information Technology). His untimely passing has left a profound void in the college community. Known for his warmth, sincerity, and quiet presence, he will be fondly remembered by teachers and fellow students alike.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and thank God for his life that spread light around

Faculty who were recognized as research guides



Dr. Ann Abraham & Dr. Tilda Mary Daniel
Commerce

Dr. Jinu John
Botany

Dr. Aleena Manoharan
Associate Professor, English
Selected for the Fulbright-Nehru Academic
and Professional Excellence Fellowships

PhD Awardees - Scholars from our departments



Dr. Aravind K Vijay
Guide:
Dr. Basil George,
Faculty - Botany



Dr. Syama Prabha
Guide:
Dr. Basil George,
Faculty - Botany



Dr. Bushramol S
Guide:
Dr. Ravikumar C,
Faculty - Physics



Dr. Vigi George M
Guide:
Prof. Dr. Hari N,
Faculty - Botany

Reading Hour

The Department of English and the English Association, organized a Reading Hour on 18 June 2026 to promote reading among students. Led by Dr. Nikhilesh Menon, the session featured readings from his work and reflections on the value of literature, encouraging students to engage thoughtfully with texts. Held in the peaceful outdoor setting of the campus, the programme strengthened the Department's commitment to literary engagement and academic discourse.



The college celebrated International Yoga Day on June 22, led by the Women's Studies Centre of our college. Rev. Dr. Shiju Samuel, our Bursar was the resource person.