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# NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME UNITS 49 A & B

**National Reading Week Observance** 

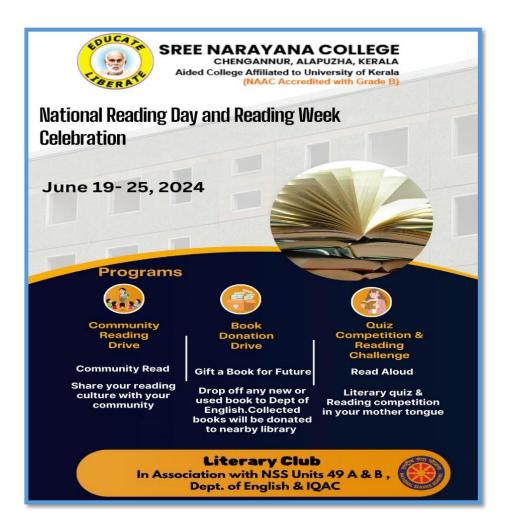


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### **Event Overview**

Sree Narayana College, Chengannur in association with National Service Scheme Units 49& B, Literary Club, Department of English in association with Internal Quality Assessment Cell (IQAC), observed National Reading Week from 19 th June 2024 to 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024 to commemorate the death anniversary of Mr Puthuvayil Narayana Panicker who is often referred to as the 'Father of India's Library Movement'. To pay homage to his tireless efforts to enhance the importance and practice of reading and education, the Indian government passed a law and marked June 19th as National Reading Day in 1996. It is celebrated across the country by encouraging people to read books and engage themselves in any form of reading.

The college organized various programmes inside the campus and nearby locality to promote reading and literary habits in students and general public. The programmes were public library visit, book donation drive to the nearby public library, read aloud challenge etc.



## **Public Library Visit**

The public library visit intended to engage students with the nearby community and also expand academic resources, learning experiences and promotes the habit of lifelong learning. Libraries are valuable resources for continuous education and personal growth long after formal education has ended.

Students had an opportunity to understand the administration and working of public libraries. The librarian Ms Revamma explained the procedures of the library very well.



**Public Library Visit** 

#### **Inauguration of National Reading Day**

Followed by the book presentations, there was the book presentations by students. The session formally started with a welcome speech by the library secretary Mr Shaj Lal. Mr Purushothaman, the library president presided over the function. Ms Bindhu V K, HOD of Malayalam delivered the inaugural address. Ms Aswathy Raj NSS Programme Offficer and Literary Club coordinator was the moderator of the book presentations. Ms Revamma , the librarian, Peoples Library, Nedvaramcode offered felicitations and the formal meeting concluded with the vote of thanks of the NSS volunteer leader Adithya A.



Welcome speech by Mr Shajlal, Secretary, Peoples Library, Neduvaramcode



Ms Aswathy Raj, NSS Programme Officer, moderator of the session

#### **Technical Session**

#### **Book Presentations by students**

Ms Fathima of first year Economics presented the review of the famous short story Neiyppayasam by Kamala Das. She expressed that the author made her realize that it's been so long since she read the story but the pain that came along with the story, still lingers.

Ms Nandana presented the famous book "Wings of Fire" an inspiring autobiography of the most respectable Former President of India – Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam. Many books from English and Malayalam language was discussed in the session.

The session intended to contribute academic growth, critical thinking skills, and overall intellectual development of students.

#### **Book Presentations**





**Book Donation Drive** 

As part of the extended activity of Reading Week NSS volunteers collected old/used/new books from students and faculty members and collected books were donated to the nearby public library. This event has marked the further step to achieve reading habit among students as well as the public.

## Conclusion

The observation of Reading Day Celebration has marked another successful endeavor from Sree Narayana College, Chengannur NSS units, Literary Club, Department of English and IQAC. The event promotes literacy and love for reading among students and public. Reading as an inevitable step to build strong communicative competence and the integral part of academic enrichment, got imparted to students. People's Library and the officials were helpful to offer access to NSS volunteers who are interested in reading.