



HENRY BAKER COLLEGE

MELUKAVU, KOTTAYAM

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A Christian Minority Educational Institution run by C.S.I East Kerala Diocese
Affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam

CRITERION- 7

INSTITUTIONAL VALUES AND BEST PRACTICES

7.1.9. Sensitization of students and employees of the Institution to the constitutional obligations: values, rights, duties and responsibilities of citizens

Details of activities

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Sensitization of students and employees of the Institution to the constitutional obligations: values, rights, duties and responsibilities of citizens

Constitutional Values, rights, duties and responsibilities of citizens are imparted to the students and employees of the college through the celebration and commemoration of National days, enhancing national integration and unity. For this we celebrate:

Human Rights Day

Quit India Day

Independence Day

NSS Day

National Unity Day

Gandhi Jayanti

Republic Day

We also partake of the Swatch Bharat Mission through cleaning drives initiated by the NSS Unit of our college and conducted a Voters' Registration Drive

1. Human Rights Day Observance and Release of Manuscript Magazine Historica Vol. XIII - ORBO

07/12/2023

Objectives:

The objectives of this project were to provide a clear, compelling, and accurate portrayal of war's impact, aiming to raise awareness and provoke thoughtful discussion. Additionally, the process sought to develop the students' research and writing skills, fostering critical thinking and effective communication on a significant and sensitive topic.

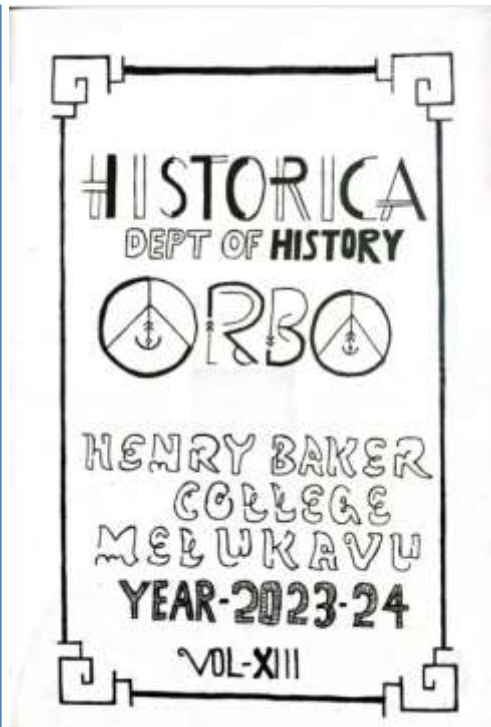
Report:

ORBO, Historica Vol. XIII, a manuscript magazine regularly prepared annually by the PG and Research Department of History, was released on 7th December 2023. The magazine was meticulously prepared by IBA history students, with the theme focusing on 20th-century wars, their societal impact, and the human rights violations that occur during and after these conflicts. Each student contributed articles to the magazine and collected photographs from the war front.

The magazine's release was part of the Human Rights Observation Day organized by the Department of History. The meeting was presided over by our esteemed principal, Dr. Gireeshkumar G.S., who officially released the magazine. On this occasion, he spoke about the importance of world peace and how even a single step towards peace is highly commendable. He congratulated the students and staff for their efforts in raising awareness about a peaceful world in which they live. Prizes were awarded to all students who participated in this project.

Outcome:

This project helped students develop their writing, research, and critical thinking skills, and encouraged them to actively participate in and contribute to important social discussions regarding wars and their related atrocities. The involvement in this activity was an eye-opener for the students, significantly raising their consciousness and awareness about these critical issues.



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Front page of Historica Vol. XIII



Release of Manuscript Magazine

2. Quit India Day Quiz Competition

08/08/2023

Objectives:

The event aimed to test the participants' knowledge of Indian history, specifically focusing on the significance and impact of the Quit India Movement.

Report:

The Post Graduate Department of History at Henry Baker College organized a quiz competition as part of the Quit India Movement commemoration. Assistant professor, Lakshmi S from the History department expertly hosted the quiz competition. The competition involved four participants - Anjana, Sreelakshmi, Taniya from the MA course, and Sreehari from the BA course. These participants were selected after a preliminary round conducted throughout the history department. The quiz took place in college seminar hall on 08/08/2023 at 1.20 pm. The atmosphere was filled with excitement as students eagerly awaited the commencement of the competition. Participants showcased their knowledge, composure, and quick thinking as they navigated through a series of challenging questions. The quiz covered various aspects of the Quit India Movement, including its historical context, key leaders, significant events, and its impact on India's struggle for independence. About twenty five people including both students and faculties were present.

The quiz competition conducted by the Post Graduate Department of History at Henry Baker College was not only an engaging and informative event but also a platform to commemorate the Quit India Movement.

Outcome: By promoting the spirit of the Quit India Movement, this quiz competition served as a reminder of the sacrifices made by the freedom fighters and the importance of preserving India's hard-fought independence. The event was a testament to the academic prowess and dedication of the participants and the historical significance of the Quit India Movement itself.



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Teams on the stage

Dr.Beena Paul addressing the audience



Lakshmi S conducting quiz



Dr. Gireesh Kumar G S awarding Sreelakshmi with memento

ATTENDANCE

Date: 8th August 2023 - POST GRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
 QUIT INDIA DAY
 QUIZ COMPETITION

1	Tanija James	MA History 1 st	Tanija
2	Anjina Lali	1 st MA History	Anjina
3	Sreelakshmi C.M	1 st MA History	Sreelakshmi
4	Daiya Subramanian	1 st MA History	Daiya
5	Mazhira O.M	1 st MA History	Mazhira
6	Kirana Raju	1 st MA History	Kirana
7	Shahira Shafi	I BA History	Shahira
8	Fathima Yakoob	III B.A. History	Fathima
9	Demu Prasad	"	Demu
10	Shahira Shafiq	"	Shahira
11	S. Tejas K. Nair	III BA History	S. Tejas
12	Shamini Mal Usman	I B.A History	Shamini
13	Enil Grace Mathew	I B.A History	Enil
14	Shahira Prasad	III BA History	Shahira
15	Rukana F.J	"	Rukana
16	Emma J.F	"	Emma
17	Kesava J. J. J.	"	Kesava
18	Anus Saja	"	Anus
19	Rahana	"	Rahana
20	Dr. Purna Paul	HOD History	Purna
21	Lakshmi S	History Dept	Lakshmi
22	Dr. Jabin Mathew	History Dept	Jabin
23	Mithy K.O	"	Mithy
24	Dr. Lakshmi S. Nair	"	Lakshmi
25	Dr. Umazani R.	Hindi	Umazani

3. Independence Day- Campus cleaning, Planting Fruit Tree Saplings- 15/08/2023

Henry Baker College, Melukavu, celebrated **Independence Day** with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervor on August 15, 2023. The event was marked by a series of activities aimed at

instilling a sense of national pride and community service among students and faculty.

The celebration began with the flag hoisting ceremony at 8:00 AM on the college grounds. **Dr. G. S. Gireesh Kumar**, the esteemed principal of Henry Baker College, had the honor of hoisting the national flag. As the flag was unfurled, the entire assembly stood in attention, singing the national anthem with great reverence. Dr. Gireesh Kumar addressed the gathering, emphasizing the importance of Independence Day and the responsibilities that come with freedom. He inspired the students to contribute positively to the nation and uphold the



Following the flag hoisting ceremony, students and faculty members participated in a campus cleaning drive. Equipped with gloves, brooms, and garbage bags, volunteers worked together to clean the college premises. This activity not only enhanced the cleanliness of the campus but also promoted the values of teamwork and responsibility among the participants.

As part of their ongoing commitment to community service, the NSS unit of Henry Baker College organized a tree planting drive at their adopted school, Erumapramattom, Melukavumattom. NSS volunteers planted several fruit tree saplings on the school grounds, including mango, guava, and jackfruit. These saplings are expected to bear fruit in the coming years, benefiting the school children and the community. This initiative aimed to promote environmental sustainability and provide long-term benefits to the local community.

The event saw the participation of over 28 NSS volunteers, making it a memorable and impactful celebration.

4. National Service Scheme Day- 24/09/2023

NSS Day was commemorated with great enthusiasm on 24 September 2023. Dr Jibin Mathew hoisted the NSS flag and delivered a speech about the spirit of selfless service. Hiba Fathima, an NSS Volunteer, and volunteers also participated.



5. Gandhi Jayanthi- Clean Melukavu Campaign-2/10/2023

Gandhi Jayanti, commemorating the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, was celebrated with great enthusiasm by the National Service Scheme (NSS) unit of Henry Baker College, Melukavu. The event was organized in collaboration with Melukavu Grama Panchayath, focusing on the theme of "**Clean Melukavu Campaign.**"

The day began with a vibrant rally through the streets of Melukavu. NSS volunteers, along with students and faculty members of Henry Baker College, carried banners and placards emphasizing cleanliness, sustainable living, and Gandhian principles.

A public meeting was held at the college premises, which was attended by local residents, Panchayath officials, and college students. The meeting aimed to raise awareness about the importance of cleanliness in daily life and the role of youth in community development.

Following the public meeting, a cleanliness drive was conducted in various parts of Melukavu. NSS volunteers actively participated in cleaning streets, public areas, and spreading awareness about waste management and hygiene practices.

The event was led by **Dr. Jibin Mathew** and **Smt. Ashly Mereena Mathew**, NSS Programme Officers of Henry Baker College. Their guidance and support were instrumental in coordinating the activities effectively. The enthusiastic participation of NSS volunteers and the active involvement of local residents and Panchayath members contributed to the success of the event.



6. National Unity Day -31/10/2023

On October 31, 2023, the National Service Scheme (NSS) cell of Henry Baker College, Melukavu, organized a solemn event to commemorate National Unity Day, marking the

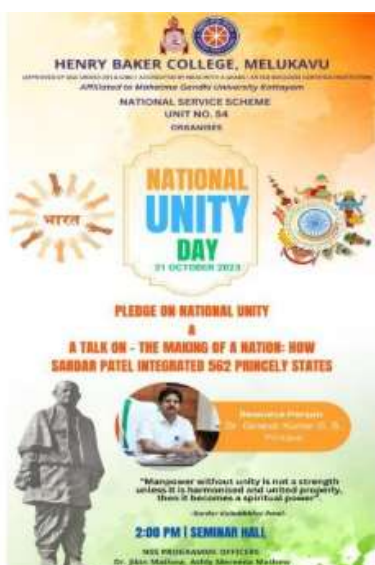
birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Iron Man of India. This day is celebrated nationwide to uphold unity, peace, and integrity. The event commenced at 2 PM in the college seminar hall, with students, faculty members, and staff dressed in traditional attire to symbolize India's cultural diversity.

The program began with a keynote address by the Principal of Henry Baker College, Dr. G. S Gireesh Kumar who highlighted the significance of National Unity Day and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's role in the integration of India post-independence. He emphasized the importance of unity in diversity and urged everyone to uphold values of tolerance and harmony.

Dr. Nisha Joseph, the IQAC Coordinator of the college, then delivered an insightful speech on the relevance of unity in today's society. She stressed the role of youth in nation-building and encouraged students to actively promote unity and peace.

A significant part of the event was the administration of the National Unity Pledge. Led by the Principal and Dr. Nisha Joseph, all participants took a solemn oath to uphold the unity, integrity, and security of the nation reaffirming their commitment to a harmonious and inclusive society.

The National Unity Day commemoration at Henry Baker College was a success, fostering a spirit of unity and patriotism among participants. The event served as a reminder of Patel's ideals and the importance of national integration in contemporary times. It concluded with a sense of pride and commitment among the attendees to contribute positively towards a united and strong India.



7. Voter Registration Drive

To enroll eligible students as voters and promote electoral participation among the youth, a voter registration drive was held at Henry Baker College, Melukavu, on December 6, 2023. The event, organized by the Electoral Literacy Club in association with the National Service



Scheme (NSS), aimed to educate students on the importance of voting and guide them through the registration process.

A designated area within the college was equipped with registration materials and information desks. Volunteers from the NSS and the Electoral Literacy Club assisted students, ensuring all necessary documents were provided. Information sessions were conducted to emphasize the importance of voting and the electoral process, which was met with enthusiasm

by the students. A total of 36 students

successfully enrolled as voters during the drive. The event was managed by Dr. Jibin Mathew, the ELC Coordinator, who ensured smooth execution.

The successful execution of the voter registration drive was recognized by the District Election Office, Kottayam. Henry Baker College received a Certificate of Appreciation from the District Election Office for its efforts in promoting electoral literacy and facilitating voter registration.



8. Republic Day-26/01/2024

Republic Day, a significant national event in India, was celebrated with solemnity and enthusiasm at Henry Baker College, Melukavu. The occasion was marked by the hoisting of the national flag and various activities highlighting the importance of this historic day.

The celebration began with a flag hoisting ceremony at the college premises, where Dr. G. S. Gireesh Kumar, the Principal of Henry Baker College, raised the national flag. This act symbolized respect and homage to India's sovereignty.

Following the flag hoisting, Dr. Gireesh Kumar delivered a thoughtful message emphasizing the significance of Republic Day. He highlighted the principles of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity enshrined in the Indian Constitution, inspiring the audience to reflect on their roles as responsible citizens in upholding these values.

The Republic Day celebration at Henry Baker College was a fitting tribute to the democratic values and ethos of India. The combination of ceremonial traditions, cultural performances, and community engagement highlighted the college's commitment to holistic education and social responsibility.



