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# HENRY BAKER COLLEGE MELUKAVU

Department of History

ACADEMIC  
YEAR

2016-17

## FROM DARKNESS INTO MARVELLOUS LIGHT

Henry Baker College, Melukavu Is a Christian, Minority, Co-Educational, Government-aided Arts and Science College Established In 1981, affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala.

**POSTGRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY  
HENRY BAKER COLLEGE, MELUKAVU**

**REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
2016-2017**

**1. World Environment Day**

Department of History Commemorated World Environment Day on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016. On the day department organised a talk on *Environmental Pollution* by Prof. Liza George, Head of the Department of Physics. The Talk was highly informative. Students were given awareness about the environmental pollution. Sixty students attended the programme.



**2. Bridge Course**

Bridge course was arranged for the first year students from 27/7/16 to 1/8/16. The course was offered to make the students ready to face the intellectual challenges of university education. A common awareness class was arranged for all the students of the college. On the second day, the students were given Orientation by Sri. Bobby Kannanthanam. From the third day onwards students were given orientation from their concerned departments. Students were introduced to new programme and entry level examination was conducted. Moreover one to one counselling was also arranged so as to understand the students and their backgrounds.

### 3. Commemoration of Hiroshima Nagasaki day and Quit India day.

On 8<sup>th</sup> August 2016, department had commemorated Hiroshima Nagasaki Day and Quit India Day. This was to instil patriotism and make the students aware of the need to have a peaceful world. A meeting was arranged at 1.10 pm in the Bishop Michael John Memorial Hall to pay tribute to great Indian patriots. After that students with placards calling for peace, rallied the campus and assembled in the Kirby Garden. Dr. Beena Paul delivered the message.

### 4. Department Library.

Since the inception of the library in the department, books are provided to the students for advanced learning as well as to enhance their interest in history through historical fictions. Selected books are collected and distributed among the students, to provide a distinct idea of historical events.

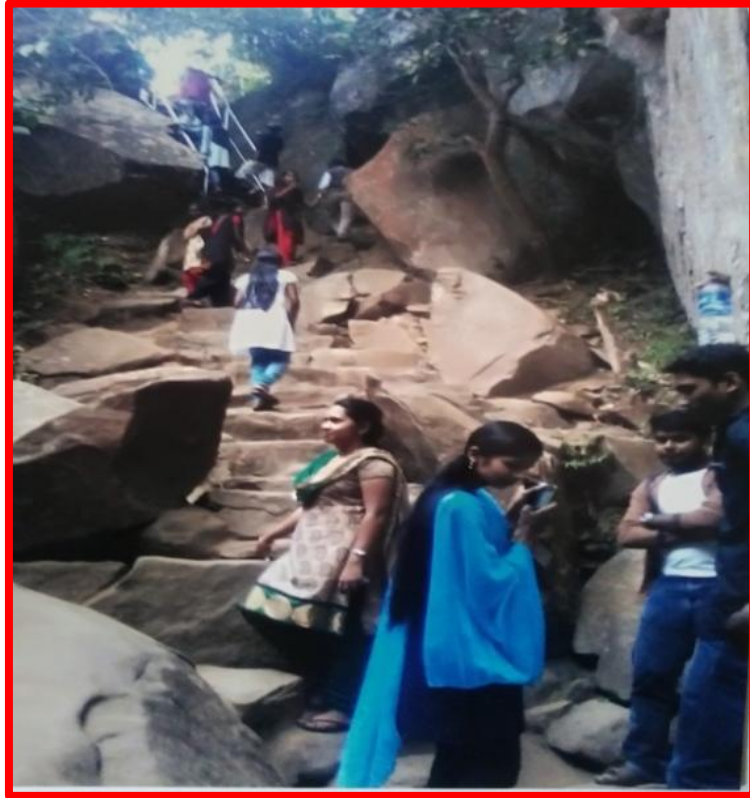
### 5. Invited Talk

Prof. P. G. Haridas, Rtd. HOD and Principal, S.S.V College, Perumbavoor delivered a talk to IMA and II MA students on *Re-reading Marxism* on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016. The lecture helped to acquaint with recent advances on Marxist writings. Twenty four students participated in the programme.



### 6. Study Tour

Students of III BA History visited Edakkal caves (a pre-historic rock shelter in Wayanad) and Jain Bhashti, on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2016. Students got the opportunity to see the oldest pre-historic cave in Kerala and engravings on the rock. It was really an experience to see a primary source for historical studies.



### 7. Alumni meeting.

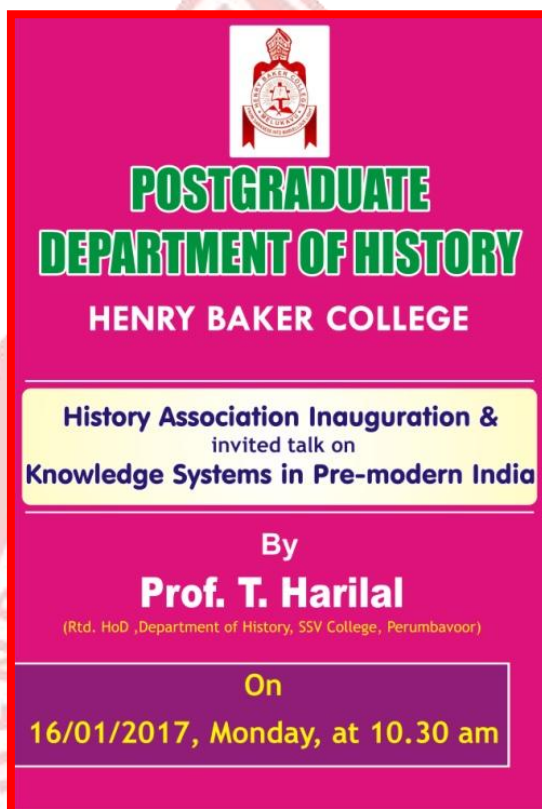
Alumni meeting of the year 2016-17 was held on 26<sup>th</sup> January. 19 old students attended the meeting.





## 8. History Association Inauguration

Inauguration of the History Association was held on 16/1/17. Prof. T. Harilal, Rtd. HOD, S.S.V College, Perumbavoor, was the chief guest of the day. Prof. T. Harilal talked on *Knowledge Systems in Kerala*. The talk provided information about the repository of knowledge in ancient and medieval Kerala. Ninety nine students participated in the programme.



## 9. Extension Lecture

Third extension lecture of the Department was held on 20/2/17. Dr. Vinod Kumar Kallolikal, Associate Professor, Maharajas College, Ernakulam delivered the lecture on “Permanence and Change in Tribal Health Care Systems: A Historical Perspective”. Information about the continuity and change in the tribal health care system was provided by the expert. The talk was very informative and useful. Eighty students attended the programme.

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*Third Extension Lecture*  
On

**Permanence and Change in Tribal Health  
Care Systems: A Historical Perspective**

By  
**Dr. Vinod Kumar Kallolikal**  
(Associate Professor, Department of History , Maharajas College , Ernakulam)

Venue: Seminar Hall

**20<sup>th</sup>** February  
2017  
Monday  
at 11.00 am

## 10. *Curios 2017*

“CURIOS 2017” was held on 28<sup>th</sup> February & 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017, with a multitude of programmes to enrich and enhance historical knowledge through invited lecture. Antique exhibition and performance of Kalaripayattu, were arranged to experience the tradition of Kerala. Students of the college as well as the students from neighbouring schools got the opportunity to see the performance of our martial art and artefacts of the bygone days, collected from the nearby places. Chief Guest of the programme was Dr. P. J. Cherian, Archaeologist and Former Director of KCHR, Thiruvananthapuram. He delivered a lecture on **Relevance of Pattanam Finds to Kerala History and Society**. Dr. Nisha Joseph (DDO) presided over the meeting and Rt. Rev. K.J. Samuel (Former Bishop, CSIEKD and former manager of the college) gave the Blessing. The main attractions of the programme were:

**Course offered**

BA History  
MA History

**Our Attractions**

Extension Lecture Series  
Field Visits  
Historica  
Department Library  
Book review Meeting



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**CURIOS 2017**

- ▶ ANTIQUS EXHIBITION
- ▶ RELEASE OF LOGO
- ▶ RELEASE OF MANUSCRIPT MAGAZINE *HISTORICA*
- ▶ INAUGURATION OF HERITAGE MUSEUM  
(Supported by History Alumni Association)
- ▶ DEMONSTRATION OF KALARIPAYATTU

**28<sup>th</sup> February & 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017**  
**Venue: College Auditorium**







*Greetings from*

POSTGRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY  
HENRY BAKER COLLEGE, MELUKAVU

It is our great pleasure to invite you to **Curios 2017** on **28<sup>th</sup> February and 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017**. This venture is to instill the young minds with curiosity and enthusiasm to unravel the history of bygone days. The programme includes an Exhibition of Antiques, Release of Logo, Release of *Historica* - a manuscript magazine by the Department, Inauguration of Heritage Museum (supported by History Alumni Association) and a demonstration of Kalaripayattu.

We invite all the dignitaries, staff and students, alumni members, parents and well-wishers to the programme.

With best regards.

**Dr. Beena Paul**  
HoD History

**Toby Sebastian**  
Staff convener

**Dr. Nisha Joseph**  
Principal in charge

**Albin Jose**  
Student convener

**Exhibition : 28th February Afternoon & 1st March Forenoon**  
**Venue : College Indoor Stadium**

**CURIOS 2017**  
28<sup>th</sup> February & 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017

*Programme*

**28<sup>th</sup> February**

10.00 am  
Prayer  
Welcome : **Dr. Beena Paul** (HoD, Postgraduate Department of History)  
Presidential Address : **Dr. Nisha Joseph** (Principal in charge)  
Blessing Address : **Rev. Dr. K. J. Samuel**  
(Former CSI Moderator and Bishop of East Kerala Diocese)  
Inaugural Address & Release of Logo : **Prof. Loppus Mathew** (PSC member)  
Keynote address & Release of Historica Vol. VI : **Dr. P. J. Cherian** (Former Director, Kerala Council for Historical Research, TVM)  
Felicitations : **Smt. Nisha Joseph** (Ward Member Melukavu gramapanchayathu, Former Student)  
: **Rev. P. K. Sebastian** (Bursar Henry Baker College)  
: **Adv. V. P. Nazer** (President, History Alumni Association)  
: **Rev. P. D. Joseph** (Hd. Prof. Dept. of Political Science H.B. College)  
: **Albin Jose** (Student Convener)  
: **Prof. Korah Jacob** (Staff Secretary cum IDAC Coordinator)

Vote of Thanks : **Rev. Dr. K. J. Samuel**  
(Former CSI Moderator and Bishop of East Kerala Diocese)

**11.30am to 12.00pm**  
**Special Lecture**  
12.00 to 1.00 pm : **Dr. P. J. Cherian - Relevance of Pattanam Finds to Kerala History & Society**  
1.00pm to 1.30 : **Lunch break**  
1.30 to 4.00pm : **Exhibition**  
3.00 to 4.00 pm : **Demonstration of Kalaripayattu**

**1<sup>st</sup> March 2017**  
9.30 am : **Exhibition**  
2.00 to 3.00pm : **Valedictory Function**  
Chief Guest : **Rev. P. V. Joseph** (Former Principal H.B. College)

**LUCKY DRAW**



## Inauguration



## Release of Department Logo



## Release of Historical

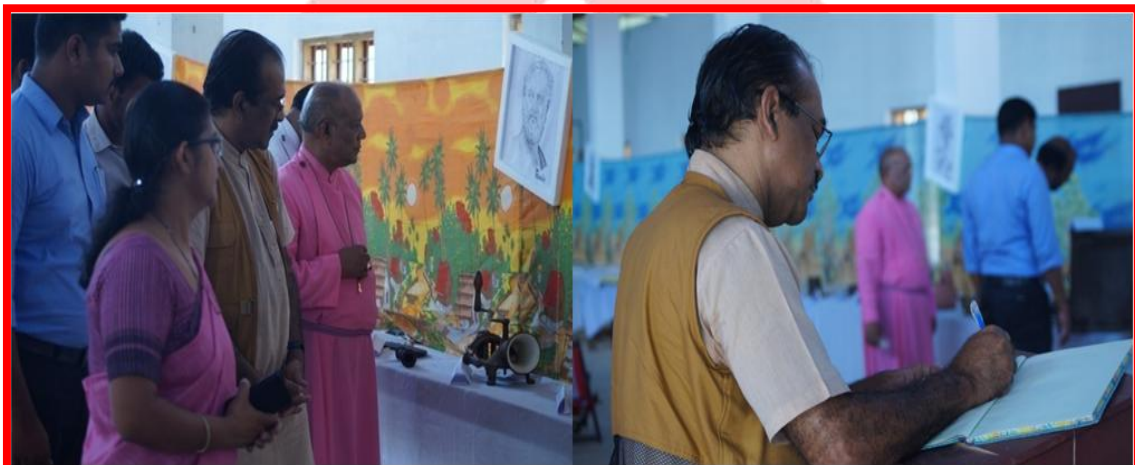




## Inauguration of History Museum



## Exhibition



**Performance of Kalaripayattu.**



**Release of “Ormakalude Ottanoolizhakaal”**

release of documentary  
1/03/17  
2 pm

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ദ്വൈതലീകരണം  
visualisation of  
our rapturous moments  
with campus

Former  
Students  
(History)

## 11. Day of Honour

Day of Honour was held on 30/3/17, in order to honour Kum. Ragi K.R., who secured the sixth rank in MA History Examination, conducted by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam. The day was momentous, as our first PG batch student secured Rank in the MG. University examination. Rt.Rev. Dr. K. G. Daniel, Bishop East Kerala Diocese, Kum. Sheeba Mol. Joseph, President Melukavu Gramapanchayath and Adv. Sasidharan Nair, P.T. A President were present in the occasion.



Dr. Beena Paul  
HoD History

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