



WWW.HENRYBAKERCOLLEGE.EDU.IN
PRINCIPAL@HENRYBAKERCOLLEGE.EDU.IN

HENRY BAKER COLLEGE MELUKAVU

International Conference

ACADEMIC
YEAR

2019-20

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.

REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CONDUCTED

TITLE: One day international conference on “*Celebration on Education and Cultural Diversity*”

DATE: 16 October 2019, Wednesday

PREAMBLE: One day international conference titled “*Celebration on Education and Cultural Diversity*” conducted on 16th October 2019, at Henry Baker College, Melukavu, in association with University Centre for International Co-operation (UCIC), M G University, Kottayam. It was a platform for students across the globe to interact with HBCians, for sharing their cultural insights and educational advances as well as competing to prove their might.

PARTICIPANT’S PROFILE: A total of 75 students were participated. 7 international students from (UCIC), M G University, Kottayam also participated as cheif guests in this international conference.

International students from UCIC

- | | |
|---------------------|--------------|
| 1. Needup Dorji | Bhutan |
| 2. Mr. Opoku Pierre | Ivory Coast |
| 3. Hadson Sitembo | Zambia |
| 4. Stanley Murugu | Kenya |
| 5. DortgulyMeredov | Turkmenistan |
| 6. Akah Lawrence | Nigeria |
| 7. Maliha | Afghanistan |

DISCRIPTION ABOUT THE PROGRAMME: Prof Ansa Andrews, Department of English, welcomed all to the conference. On the inaugural function, seven global students from UCIC participated as chief guests. In their chief guests address, they emphasised the role of UCIC to explore the ways and means that shall facilitate collaborative teaching with reputed institutions from abroad. They also presented individual power point presentation about their native land. Dr. G S Gireesh Kumar, principal, Henry Baker College, Melukavu, presided over the function. In his presidential address he spoke about the programmes conducted by HBC in collaboration with UCIC such as it helps in giving the students a global outlook, making them aware of their culture in lieu with others and imbiding in them a spirit of righteous competition.

In the beginning of the interactive section, HBC students from Department of commerce and computer application presented a documentary on verdant green landscapes of Kerala.

Mr. Needup Dorji from Bhutan has participated and spoke on the topic “*Education and Cultural Diversity*”. In his speech, he emphasised the cultural diversity of Bhutan.

Mr. Opoku Pierre from Ivory Coast spoke on the topic “*My Experience in Cote D’Ivoire*”.

Mr. Hadson Sitembo from Zambia spoke on the topic “*Culture and Customs of Zambia*”.

Mr. Stanley Murugu, from Kenya spoke on the topic “*Culture and Education in the Republic of Kenya*”.

Mr. Dortguly Meredov from Turkmenistan spoke on the topic “*Turkmenistan: Society and Culture*”.

Mr. Akah Lawrence from Nigeria spoke on the topic “*Power, culture and Modernity in Nigeria: Beyond the Colony*”.

Mis. Maliha from Afghanistan spoke on the topic “*Education in Afghanistan: Developments, Influences and Legacies*”.

After this interactive section, there were cultural programmes conducted by HBC students. It was an awesome experience for the participants to attract the inner aesthetics of traditional arts.

Miss. Ann Treesa, student representative, Department of Commerce, proposed vote of thanks.

The entire programme was coordinated with the support of the Principal, teaching and non-teaching staff and students of Henry Baker College Melukav. Everybody enjoyed the function and highly appreciated the organisers and also the students.

After this section, for the noble mission of making our nature green and serene, and to save our future generation, HBC inaugurated the upcoming project on tree plantation drive named HBC CLOUD by planting trees in the college compound. This drive aims to raise awareness to the society in the importance of planting and saving trees, express our concern to the environment, and to diminish the unfavourable effects of climate change.

FEEDBACK: All the students from Henry Baker College express their gratitude to the College for conducting the international conference with global students as part of celebration on education and cultural diversity.

OUTCOME: Ours' is a college situated in rural and tribal settings, with a lot of geographical disadvantages. Hence this programme enabled our students to interact with a team of research scholars/students, hailing from different countries and gave more exposure by understanding different cultural conditions and educational systems prevailing in their countries. Through this HBC students got a precious opportunity to understand and appreciate values/ethos, quality of higher education and research, educational practices and system, and encouraging opportunities in learning, research and employment.

FUTURE PERSPECTIVE: Henry Baker College is looking forward to organise further conference on December 2019, to create more collaboration with foreigners. We also started preparations for the nature friendly initiative in the name of HBC CLOUD.

REPORT SUBMITTED BY:

1) Dennis Cherian

Assistant Professor on Contract

Department of Commerce with Computer Application

Henry Baker College, Melukavu

2) Kesiya Alice Joseph

Assistant Professor on Contract

Department of Commerce with Computer Application

Henry Baker College, Melukavu

REPORT APPROVED BY:

Dr.G S Gireesh Kumar

Principal

Henry Baker College, Melukavu

