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THE ART OF LIVING

Do we live today? Or does living mean something else? "Man is born free. But he is chained everywhere. What was Rusoe referring to in those lines? Perhaps he meant that life does not go the way we want it to. The reasons are many. Freedom and liberty are the ultimate ideals of man, but life does not always mean liberty or freedom. Life does not mean freedom only. Life is living together – with the family and the people around us.

Living with others means a clash of ideals, ideas, feelings, qualities, and many more things. Living also means compromising. In order to live, to manage to do many other things that we are not capable of doing on our own, we learn to compromise on our feelings and ideals, likes and dislikes. Here we are unable to live to our liking, which may mean compromising on our freedom. We lose our freedom or ignore our personal likes and dislikes for our dear ones, friends, and others. So, while freedom and liberty are the highest ideals, they are not sufficient in and of themselves.

But today people pull themselves into the mire of timelessness and life without liberty-for want of power, money, or fame-and turn into machines, deluding the clam of life. As a result, precious health is lost. Liberty is not everything, just as work, pleasure, fame, and power are not means to happiness. Life means undoubtedly 'liberty', with all its necessary ifs and buts. Nothing is all in all. In Dr. Faustus, a drama by Marlowe, the protagonist, a doctor, who was master of all arts, finally falls into the trap of learning black magic in his pursuit of knowledge and incurs the divine wrath. He had all the knowledge and he was aware that he was wrong in his pursuit of learning black magic. But his adamancy to learn was such that he dared even sell his soul away. Selling his soul means selling his good senses away.

More often than not, we err, not because we are not aware of it. But in our hot pursuit of something silly and temporary, we are willing to go cropper. We may be ordinary, middle class, powerless, but respect, integrity, and character always stand paramount. These qualities are more important than any other ideals, and freedom is the ultimate determinant of the quality of life one leads.

Freedom is allowed as long as it helps build relationships and brings people together. One does not have the freedom to disturb the freedom of others. Liberty, a word born of the French revolution, deserves more respect because it is meant to draw a line between work and slavery. You have liberty where your personal interests, time, physical

well-being, and financial health are all taken care of. Hence, you have the liberty to work for eight hours a day with minimum concomitant wages without any stress or other discomfort. Too much of anything will be detrimental to human life.

Living with fewer worries, eating fewer calories, and working for fewer but desired hours will result in better physical, mental, and psychological health. These are values. And these values are forever. Time may change, but values do not change. should not change either. Knowledge is essential, yet understanding their real spirit and thus functioning will serve us better. Life spent with the real understanding of knowledge and leading a life of values reflects the "Art of Living".

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LITERACY DAY

Literacy Day was celebrated on September 8 amidst the staff and students. The programme, which was presided over by Vice Principal Prasada Rao, dwelt on the relevance of the day. Speaking on the occasion, the vice principal bemoaned that literacy is still a faraway dream for many.

Dr. Surya Rao, lecturer in Economics, spiked at length on the topic. He stated that literacy day was established by UNESCO in 1966 to remind the public of the importance of literacy as a matter of dignity and human rights. He explained that illiteracy is a global problem and that over 750 million people in the world who are illiterate underscore the scourge of the problem. He said that the U.S. is not without its share of ugly things, adding that it has 30 million people without literacy.

In his speech, Bhaskara Rao, lecturer in Commerce, averred that literacy is light and it sheds darkness in the lives of people. Literacy, according to him, is the panacea to all social evils, and literacy is not the mere learning of letters. He said that real literacy understands the spirit behind those letters.

Malleswararao, lecturer in history, narrated that wiping out illiteracy from every local community is the goal of celebrating International Literacy Day. He said that we cannot imagine a world where people cannot read and write and said that literacy is the way to success and glory, no matter whether it is the individual or the nation.

Srinivasa Rao, lecturer in Politics, said that while the literacy rate in India stands at 74.04%, it was a mere 12% in 1947. In spite of the increase in literacy rate, modern India is now witnessing an increase in crime rate and denigration of all kinds, he said, adding that literacy means learning the right kind of behavior and morals.



The programme was attended by boys and girls from the college, teaching and non-teaching staff.

MEETING AT V.S.KRISHNA COLLEGE

A meeting was conducted by C.C.E on 09.09.22 at Krishna College, Visakhapatnam to review progress in FRS, internships, community service projects etc. The meeting began at 10 am on the day, and the Commissioner narrated the steps the government is taking to strengthen higher education. He stressed the necessity of imparting skills among students.

He stated that the days of lecturers only being responsible for teaching are over, and that they are now responsible for the overall development of the students. He explained that the state government wants the new education policy to be strictly implemented.

He pointed out that lecturers do not have to stay out of their college hours and they have to finish their tasks within the available time in college. The review meeting was conducted for Srikakulam, Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam, and East Godavari districts.

JOB MELA

On September 22, Aurobindo Pharma held a campus recruitment drive in the college. 65 candidates appeared at the interview. All those eligible have been provisionally selected for jobs in the company. The programme was conducted by L.V. Ramana of the Mathematics department. All the teaching and non-teaching staff actively participated in the Job Mela.



రాజాం: ఉద్యోగాలకు 66 మంది ఎంపిక
రాజాంలోని ప్రభుత్వ డిగ్రీ కళాశాలలో అరబిందో ఫార్మా లిమిటెడ్ ఆధ్వర్యంలో జాబ్ మేళాను నిర్వహించారు. ఈ జాబ్ మేళాలో 82 మంది అభ్యర్థులు పాల్గొన్నారు. వీరికి అరబిందో కంపెనీ నుంచి వచ్చిన హెచ్ఆర్ ప్రతినిధి టీవీఎస్ స్వరూప్ ఇంటర్వ్యూలు నిర్వహించారు. 66 మంది అభ్యర్థులను ఉద్యోగాలకు ఎంపిక చేశారు. కార్యక్రమంలో కళాశాల ప్రెసిడెంట్ పి స్వప్న హైందవి, ప్రెసిడెంట్ కే ప్రసాద్ రావు, సమన్వయకర్త వెంకటరమణ ఉన్నారు.

CELEBRATIONS OF GURAJADA JAYANTI

On the occasion of his jayanti on 21.9.22, Gurajada was paid rich floral tributes. Gurajada Venkata Apparaao is one such name that does not need any introduction. His efforts, along with Gidugu, to free Telugu from the classical chains are matchless. He wrote his play, "Kanyasulkam," in the language of the common man. Kanyasulkam will be remembered not only for its language, but also for its campaign to rid society of a social evil.



The programme arranged on the occasion saw the presence of all the staff and students. The programme was conducted by Chowdhury Tarakeswar Rao, lecturer in Telugu. Dr. Swapna Haindavi, speaking on the occasion, pointed out that Vizianagaram is famous for fine arts , music and literature and said that Gurajada, Ghantasala, Kodi Rammurthy, and Aadibhatla have enriched their chosen fields.

Vice principal, Prasada Rao, said that Vizianagaram reminds people of names like Gurajada, Ghantasala, Aadibhatla, etc., and he mentioned that Maharaja Ananda Gajapathi of Vizianagaram was behind the endeavor of Gurajada. The king was of such a great heart that he ordered a survey on the evil of Kanyasulkam, which was widely prevalent in those days. He said that Gurajada, in his play Kanyasulkam, had drawn our



attention to social evils like Kanyasulkam, widow remarriage, child marriages, debauchery, the art of people like Gireesam, and those people who claim themselves to be the elderly of society.

Chowdari Tarakeswar Rao, lecturer in Teleugu, mentioned certain verses from “Puttadibomma poornamma”, “Desamunu preminchumannna”, etc., and explained their themes and beauty. He explained that many dialogues from Gurajada's Kanyasulkam have entered the common language of the people. They are worldly wise, he pointed out. And he quoted famous lines from Gurajada's Kanyasulkam.

The program, which was presided over by the principal, was attended by teaching staff and students.

NSS DAY CELEBRATIONS

On 24.9.22, the college celebrated NSS Day on the college grounds. The programme was organized by Bhaskar Rao, a lecturer in Commerce who is also an NSS officer. The Vice Principal, speaking on the occasion, explained the importance of NSS. It teaches the importance of serving society. The NSS volunteers serve as a tool to disseminate knowledge among the illiterate and dispel superstitions. Students undertake campaigns in villages and bring about change. Tarakeswar Rao said that NSS volunteers had worked wonders in the area of spreading literacy among the villagers. He said campaigns on child marriages, healthy food for children and women, and protections of the environment have yielded good results, he said.



Malleswararao , lecturer in history, narrated the history of NSS. He recalled that the NSS was founded on September 24, 1969, by V.K.R.V. Rao, the then-education minister. Initially, it was started in 37 universities, with an enrollment of 40,000 volunteers. Now he said that there are about 4 million volunteers. Srinivasa Rao, lecturer in politics, remembered his experiences as a volunteer at college and camps where he actively participated.

Venugopalarao, Lecturer in English, said that NSS was contemplated in those days with a view to making the programmes reach every nook and corner. In spite of spending crores of rupees, the fruits of government programmes are not reaching the people in need. Hence what governments could not do was planned to be achieved by NSS volunteers.

NATIONAL INTEGRATION DAY

Certain people are of the moment. Certain others are forever. They are remembered for generations. Sardar Vallabhai Patel was one such man. He was a trusted lieutenant of Mahatma Gandhi who participated in the Indian struggle for independence. He is primarily remembered for his efforts to integrate certain princely states unwilling to join the Indian union after independence. He initiated military action against those kings and earned for himself the title "the Iron Man of India."



His efforts during the war with Pakistan have also brought him many accolades. As a strong home minister that he was, he wanted to completely liberate Kashmir, occupied by Pakistan. If not for his adamancy, India would have remained without Kashmir.



In commemoration of the services of this great man, the Union government took upon itself the onerous task of erecting the tallest statue, named "the Statue of Unity," at an expense of 420 USD on October 31, 2018. And it was decided to celebrate his birth day as "National Integration Day."

Several programmes were conducted all over the nation on the occasion . Rajam Government Degree College also organized a similar programme on the day. The programme was conducted by the departments of Politics, Economics, and Commerce. The Principal of the college, who was presiding over the programme, said that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was one of the greatest leaders who worked selflessly for the progress of India. As the home minister of India, he worked, day in and day out, for the integration of the country. She explained that his daredevilry checked Pakistan from further incursions into India.

Vice Principal, Prasada Rao, narrated the freedom struggle and the part played by Sardar. Bhaskarrao of the Department of Commerce spoke of the importance of being united and lauded the efforts of our national leaders.

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