

ANNUAL REPORT ON CELEBRATIONS (2023-24)

CELEBRATION OF IMPORTANT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL DAYS

Ramaiah College of Arts, Science, and Commerce (RCASC) upholds a comprehensive commitment to diversity, inclusivity, and education through a variety of initiatives and activities throughout the academic year. These events not only celebrate the importance of key observances but also promote values such as patriotism, respect for educators, and gender equality within the institution. RCASC's active involvement in these initiatives reflects its dedication to cultivating a well-rounded and informed student community.

1. **Independence Day (15th August 2023):** The college celebrated India's Independence Day with enthusiasm, featuring a flag hoisting ceremony by Sri M.R. Seetharam, Vice Chairman of the Gokula Education Foundation (GEF). The event included a vibrant march past led by NCC, NSS, YRC, and school bands, symbolizing the unity and patriotism of the campus community.
2. **Teachers' Day (5th September 2023):** On Teachers' Day, RCASC honored its dedicated educators through a special program expressing gratitude for their selfless contributions. Teachers were invited to the auditorium for a heartfelt celebration in recognition of their pivotal role in shaping students' futures.
3. **Republic Day (26th January 2023):** Republic Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm across the GEF institutions. Sri M.R. Seetharam hoisted the national flag and inspected a march past, reflecting the importance of national unity and pride.
4. **International Women's Day (8th March 2023):** RCASC marked International Women's Day with a talk by social activist and entrepreneur Dr. Vanitha Hebbar, who discussed women's empowerment, entrepreneurship, and financial independence. The event also featured Dr. Ranjani Vishwanatha, a scientist, who spoke about the significant role of women in science.
5. **World Environment Day (5th June 2023):** The college observed World Environment Day through events and tree plantation drives aimed at raising environmental awareness. These initiatives nurture a sense of global responsibility and commitment to sustainability among students.
6. **International Yoga Day (21st June 2023):** Faculty and students participated in yoga asanas and pranayama, promoting both physical and mental well-being, reinforcing the importance of a healthy lifestyle.
7. **World Hepatitis Day (28th July 2023) and World Tuberculosis Day (24th March 2023):** These observances highlighted the college's holistic approach to well-being by raising awareness about critical health issues, encouraging students to focus on both physical and mental health.

8. **National Education Day (11th November 2023) and National Librarian Day:** Celebrating National Education Day and National Librarian Day, RCASC emphasized the significance of education and the vital role of librarians in fostering learning, while also raising awareness about global challenges in education.
9. **National Youth Day (12th January 2023):** The college celebrated National Youth Day to inspire a sense of patriotism and unity, reminding students of the sacrifices made for the nation's freedom and the responsibilities of youth in shaping the future.
10. **Cultural Celebrations:** RCASC celebrates cultural festivals such as Bhashotsava and Rajyotsava, embracing the linguistic and regional diversity of its student body. Events like Rangoli competitions and Xtasy provide students with platforms to showcase their talents and appreciate diverse art forms, promoting cultural understanding.
11. **Educational Workshops:** The college conducts guest lectures on fundamental duties and equal opportunities, helping students understand their responsibilities as citizens and the importance of fairness and equality, thereby fostering a sense of civic duty and social justice.
12. **Community Engagement:** RCASC's extension activities engage students in addressing societal issues, promoting active community involvement and reinforcing the importance of social responsibility.

These initiatives collectively contribute to fostering a diverse, inclusive, and well-informed college community that values cultural diversity, social justice, and environmental sustainability. RCASC's commitment to these principles is reflected in its comprehensive approach to education, community development, and the promotion of active engagement with societal challenges and opportunities.

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