School of Pedagogical Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University Report of the Onam Festival dated 23rd August 2023

Onam is a popular cultural festival that has been preserved and transmitted through generations in Kerala. Reminiscent of the agrarian past of Kerala State, of sharing the values of equity, unity and prosperity, the School of Pedagogical Sciences, MG University celebrated Onam, the harvest festival of Kerala, on 23rd August 2023. Everyone coming to SPS was welcomed with a mesmerizing view of a colourful flower carpet arranged by the students. As a formal function, the Onam programme "Maveli ka Hukkum" started at 11:30 am in the School of Pedagogical Sciences seminar Hall. Everyone gathered was greeted by the anchors, Ms Amalu Raju and Ms Anjali Dev. Prof Asha JV, HoD, greeted the gathering and gave an Onam message describing about Onam. Dr Sibu G Netto, blessed the programme with his active presence.

The highlight of the programme was when everyone well received Maveli. Mr Shajeermon VM, student of 1st year MEd dressed in *Maveli* attire delivered a short message on Onam. Students had captured some videos of all the teachers and non-teaching staff of the department, which was played on the screen. Ms Anjali Dev, 1st year MEd student performed a delightful semi classical dance followed by an Onam song sung by a group of students. Another highlight of the programme was the Malayali Manka and Maran competition well-coordinated by Ms Arya M P. After a ramp walk and talk, Mr Sateeshkumar J, Administrative Officer of SPS and Ms Priya K, Professional Assistant of Library, SPS won the respective *Malayali maran* and *Malayali manka* titles.

Onam 'Sadhya' on banana leaves with numerous dishes and *payasam*, arranged by the food committee, was another highlight of the day. The guests and workers in School were also served the *payasam* sharing the love and warmth of Onam. After some official photo session of all in traditional and colourful attires, the Onam celebration resumed starting with the *Kaikottkali*. As part of the celebration, there were traditional games such as tug of war, *Uriyadi* and other games such as filling water bottles, musical chair with a twist, etc. Students and teachers had great enthusiasm and fun actively participating in all the games. At 5pm, the Onam celebration at School of Pedagogical Sciences came to an end.

- Programme Committee: Ms Amalu Raju, Ms Anjali Dev
- Decoration: Ms Megha Mohan, Ms Gayatridevi
- Games-in-charge: Ms Arya M P, Mr Deny Varghese
- Food Committee: Mr Sachin Das, Ms Ayswarya Suresh
- Cleaning Committee: Ms Aiswarya Thampi, Ms Alen Baby
- Poster Making: Mr Ramdas K S, Ms Ann Maria Baby
- > Technical Support: Mr Collins Abraham Thomas, Ms Ananya Abraham
- Photograph: Mr Nithin Cosmos
- Rapporteur: Ms Sheril Sara Thomson

The festivities did not stop with the Departmental celebration. The students of SPS also took part in the University Onam celebration dated 24th August 2023. Students dolled up in traditional Kerala attires and Ms Subina Nazar dressed up as *Maveli* was a colourful sight in the grand procession. It is a proud moment to highlight that the girls' team from School of Pedagogical Sciences were the runner-up in the semi-final round of the tug-of-war University level competition.

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