## Loyola Commerce Forum Inauguration Report (2019-2020)



The inaugural function commenced with a prayer song – "Light of the World" to ensure the Almighty's presence. The prayer was followed by Thamizhthai Vazhthu to praise the mother Tamil. To make the evening more auspicious, the lamp was lit by the Chief Guest Kalaimamani. V.K.T. Balan, the Dean of Loyola (shift-II) Dr. Prasana Kumar, the Coordinator of the Commerce Department Prof. Alston Rozario, the President of Commerce Forum Prof. M. Sivakumar, the Vice-President of the commerce forum Dr. D. John Benedict and Department Secretary A. Zubair Ahamed.



The welcome address was given by the President of the Commerce forum Prof. M. Sivakumar. He cordially invited the Chief Guest Kalaimamani. V.K.T. Balan, other members of the dais, the parents and the students. He also took the opportunity to congratulate all the Student representatives and assured that they would work for the betterment of the department.



The Chief Guest Kalaimamani V.K.T. Balan was felicitated with a flower bouquet by the Coordinator of the Commerce Department Prof. Alston Rozario and with a memento by the Dean of Loyola College (shift-II) Dr. Prasana Kumar. The Coordinator of the Commerce Department Prof. Alston Rozario was felicitated with a bouquet by the President of commerce forum Prof. M. Sivakumar and the Dean of Loyola College (shift-II) Dr. Prasana Kumar was felicitated with a bouquet by the Vice-President of the commerce forum Dr. D. John Benedict.



Coordinator of the Commerce Department Prof. Alston Rozario congratulated all the elected representatives and asked them to give their soul and mind for the betterment of other students. He insisted the office bearers to work inclusively with students to bring out changes in the department. He encouraged the students to achieve things and set a bench mark for the generations to come.



The Chief Guest was introduced by Dr. D. John Benedict. He spoke about the trials and tribulations which V.K.T. Balan; owner of Madura Travels had to undergo to achieve this stage in life.



Kalaimamani. V.K.T. Balan spoke about the hurdles he came across in his life being just an 8<sup>th</sup> standard passed out to achieve in life. He admitted his mother was sewage cleaner and

walked down his memory lane on what all she had to undergo to raise him up. He also added that he had slept on the Sidewalks opposite to the Egmore Railway station during the early days of his life, which is the location of his Office now. He joked that he still travels without a travel pass even in International airways as he has a special permit.



He also made the session more interactive by asking questions to the students and awarding books to those who answered. He made it clear if he could achieve so much in life, the students of Loyola can also reach greater heights in life. He concluded by asking the students to build their foundation strong like a bamboo and then grow taller to withstand all the perils of life.

The Department Secretary A. Zubair Ahamed, Joint Secretary M. Mohamed Riyaz and other Office Bearers were given Badges by the Chief Guest Kalaimamani V.K.T Balan and the Coordinator of the Commerce Department Prof. Alston Rozario.





The pledge was initiated by the Chief Guest Kalaimamani.V.K.T Balan and then followed by the Department Secretary A. Zubair Ahamed, who took the Pledge to follow his duties and work for the betterment of the Forum with all other Office bearers.

The plan to be executed in the year 2019-2020 by the commerce forum was proposed by the Department Secretary A. Zubair Ahamed. It briefed about the purpose and the execution of events like Intaglio and Denarius. It also included Career guidance events, Seminars and conferences. Information regarding Industrial Visits and College tour for the Third year students was also mentioned in the forum plan.



The elected class representatives of all three years were given their badges by the Coordinator of the Commerce Department Prof. Alston Rozario.



All the professors who attended the event were presented with books. The parents of the Department Secretary A. Zubair Ahamed and the Joint Secretary M. Mohamed Riyaz were also presented with books.



The thanks note was given by the Joint P.R.O Kevin A George. He praised the Almighty for making this event a great success. He thanked the Chief Guest Kalaimamani. V.K.T. Balan, other members of the dais, the parents and the students. The event came to an end by singing the National anthem.

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