

INAUGURATION REPORT LOYOLA ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION FOR DEVELOPMENT (2018-2019)

The inauguration of the Loyola Economics Association for Development (LEAD) 2017-18 took place on 25th July, 2018 at Bertram Hall.

The ceremony started at 11.15 am in L.S. Hall with an invocation to the Almighty, through a prayer song by the department choir. It was followed by the traditional lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries which marked it as propitious start to the day.



The dignitaries and audience were welcomed warmly by the Head of the Department of Economics, Professor B. Bhagwan Das. He emphasized on some of the issues that we as a team of budding economists need to focus on in this academic year and wished that the department would continue the good work that it has been consistently doing for the past few years. The occasion was graced by Rev. Dr. A. G. Leonard S.J, who was the former Head of the Department of Economics, Loyola College and former Principal of St. Joseph College, Trichy. This prestigious association, LEAD, was a brainchild of his. Dr. Fathima Vasanth, Deputy Principal, Loyola College was also present. The two dignitaries addressed the gathering and conveyed their wishes to the office bearers of LEAD 2018-19. The chief guest was then felicitated by Dr.T.P.Subramaniam, Co-ordinator (Shift-2). The President of LEAD 2018-19, Dr.Elango J. Parimalam gave a brief description on the activities of LEAD and promised to strive to keep up the good work.

M. Kevin Jackson, the elected secretary of LEAD 2018-19 presented the plan of action for this academic year and gave a detailed description of all the events that LEAD has planned to conduct this year such as the National Symposium, Equilibrium and publication of the department journal, Oikonomikos.



The chief guest addressed the gathering and gave insights into his life as a Loyolite and about how it felt to serve the Indian Police Service. He also enlightened the audience on the struggle that all civil service aspirants have to go through in order to finally be able to serve the country. He gave invaluable tips on how one should gain and focus on his/her career goals and how it is important to always be disciplined and committed in order to succeed in life. He congratulated and honoured the newly elected office bearers with a badge. The department choir then entertained the gathering with a light music performance. Followed by the vote of thanks by Yogesh Kumar, Associate Secretary, LEAD 2018-19, the ceremony concluded with the national anthem.

