

**Loyola College (Autonomous)**  
**Chennai – 600 034**

**Department of History**

**Ashok Mehta Endowment Lecture**

The Department of History, Loyola College organized Ashok Mehta Endowment Lecture on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018. **Dr. M. Lakshmanan**, Head and Associate Professor, Department of History, Presidency College (Autonomous) delivered the endowment lecture was on "*Capital and Labour in Madras Presidency*". The programme started with a melodious prayer song.



Prayer **Dr. Louis Mushary**, President Shift II

Dr. Louis Mushary, President Shift II delivered the welcome address. Dr.L. Selvanathan, Head and Dr.V. Yesubhakthan, Coordinator Shift IIhonouredthe guest speaker. Mr. **Siddharth Lama II B.A.**, introduced the guest speaker.



**Dr. M. Lakshmanan- Speaker's Address**

Dr. M. Lakshmanan in his lecture explained the connection between labour and survival of human being, he elucidated on labour as any act which was done for sustenance or profit, through this definition he made the base on which he specialized his lecture on the features of labour and capital in India.



The speaker brought out the profound importance to caste in understanding the state of labour and capital in India. He gave an explanation on the present profane society where everything is valued including labour and stated that now everything has a price and it is the sign of the degradation of humanity.



Introducing the Chief Guest: **Mr.Siddharth Lama II B.A.**

The speaker was stating that the future historians need to adopt a different method in viewing all the Indian events, and this should be studied from the perspective of the caste system and religions of India.

*Interactive Session*



**Mr. Vidyadharan III B.A**



**Mr. Yogeshwaran, III B.A**



**Mr. T.M.Jeya Ganesh III B.A**

The lecture was also a success, when audience were allowed to add on their comments, and this opened the new windows of knowledge.





Vote of Thanks  
**Mr.Christyan I M.A**



Master of Ceremony  
**Mr. V. L Adhitiya Kaarthikheyan II B.A**

The programme came to an end with the vote of thanks by **Mr. Christyan, IM.A**. The Master of Ceremony was Mr. **Adhitiya Kaarthikheyan, II B.A**. History