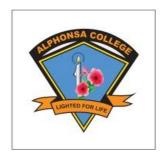


## **ALPHONSA COLLEGE**





## ELECTORAL LITERACY CLUB

**DOCUMENTATION OF ACTIVITIES 2018-23** 



The Electoral Literacy Club (ELC) at Alphonsa College has been actively engaging students in various activities aimed at promoting electoral literacy and democratic participation. Since its inception, the club has undertaken several initiatives to empower students with the knowledge and skills necessary for informed and responsible citizenship.

#### Vision

To cultivate a culture of responsible citizenship and democratic participation among the student body.

## **Objective**

- Empower students with the knowledge and skills necessary to become informed and active participants in the electoral process.
- Educating students about the electoral process.
- Cultivating a sense of civic responsibility and engagement among citizens.
- Encouraging them to actively participate in the democratic process beyond just voting.
- Collaborating with electoral authorities to enhance electoral literacy efforts and expand outreach.

#### The office bearers of the Club are

Chairperson- Dr. Sr Regenamma Joseph, Principal

Vice Chairperson - Rev. Dr. Shaji John

#### **Electoral Literacy Club Coordinators**

Ms. Sunitha Santhan, Assistant Professor, Department of History

Ms. Annu Paul, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science

Dr. Diana Elizabeth Jose, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry

Student coordinators - Kum. Keerthana Regi and Kum. Joanne Elias



## **Activities**

## 2022-2023

## **Inauguration of Literacy Club**

Electoral Literacy club of Alphonsa College was inaugurated by Municipal Councilor Jimmi Joseph on October 14<sup>th</sup> 2022. Pala Tahasildar Ms. Sindhu VS, Deputy Tahasildar Mr. Manjith, Election deputy Tahasildar Mr Syamaprasad was also present in the auspicious occasion.



## Class on Linking Adhar and Voters ID

A class on linking Adhar and Voters ID was conducted in the college on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022. Class was led by Pala Tahasildar Ms Sindhu V S. Fifty students of the college participated.





## **Voters Enrolment Drive**

Voter's enrolment drive was organized in the college on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022. 75 students enrolled from the college.





A certificate of appreciation was received for enrolling students of Alphonsa college through Electoral Enrolment App from Election Commission on January  $25^{th}\ 2022$ .





Ms. Annu Paul, ELC coordinator receiving certificate of appreciation in the ceremony

## **Voters Day Pledge**

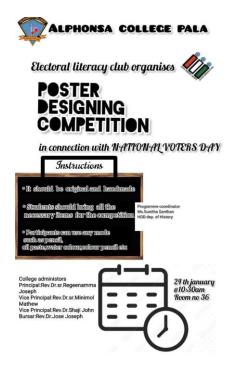
National Voters Day was observed in the college by taking voters pledge by the students, teaching and nonteaching staffs of the college on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023.





## **Poster Designing Competition**

In connection with National Voters Day Poster designing competition was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023.





#### 2021-2022

Alphonsien Electoral Literacy Club is a platform to engage our students through interesting activities and hands-on experience to sensitise them on their electoral rights and familiarise them with the electoral process of registration and voting. At ELCs, learning meets fun where activities and Games are designed to encourage and inspire students that provoke them to think and raise questions. Through ELC, Election Commission of India, aims at strengthening the culture of electoral participation among young and future voters. To enrol as an authorised ELC, we have already submitted the online request this year and received an acknowledgment saying that our request will be forwarded to the District Election Officer of your district who will examine the eligibility of our institution for establishing an ELC.

#### **Awareness Class on Voting**

Voting is a fundamental right and responsibility in any democratic society. However, voter turnout rates often vary, and many individuals, particularly young people, may not fully



understand the importance and impact of their vote. To address this issue, an awareness class on voting was organized to educate individuals about the significance of voting and to encourage active participation in the democratic process. Awareness class was on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Sri. K.Ronny, Associate professor, St Dominic's college Kanjirapilly was the resource person

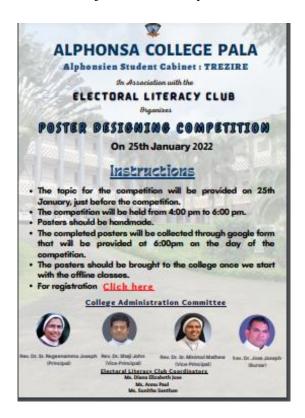






## **Poster Designing Competition**

As part of Electoral Literacy Day commemoration, the Alphonsien ELC conducted a poster designing competition on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2022. The topic for the competition was "തിരഞ്ഞെടുപ്പ് എന്ന തിരിച്ചറിവ്". Kum. Reena Rajendran of III.DC Chemistry won the first prize and kum. Hrudhika Renjith of II DC Physics Model II won the second prize.



Our students also participated in various National Voter Awareness contests conducted by Election Commission of India.

#### 2019 - 2020

# FORMAL INAUGURATION OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COLLEGE UNION AND ELECTORAL LITERACY CLUB

The formal inauguration of the activities of the college union and electoral literacy club was conducted on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019. Pathanamthitta District Collector P.B Nooh IAS was the chief guest. Ms. Anisha Mary John, the college union chairperson presided over the function. Mr. Nooh, who was also a union member during his college days, not only inspired by with his speech but also sparked in our minds the fire of dedication and determinations.





#### **COLLEGE UNION ELECTION**

The college union of Alphonsa College was elected on 21 August 2019 in the parliamentary method under the guidance of our principal Rev. Dr. Sr Therese Madukkakuzhy, Vice Principal Rev. Dr. Shaji John and Rev. Dr. Sr. Regeenamma Joseph, Union Advisors Ms. Diana Elizabeth Jose and Ms. Annu Paul and other teachers deputed for the election. College union election process itself served as a practical example of democratic principles, showcasing the importance of voting and participation in governance.

#### TALK ON "DEMOCRACY IN ACTION: THE ROLE OF YOUTH IN ELECTIONS"

The Merit Day and talk On "Democracy In Action: The Role Of Youth In Elections" was conducted on 10th February 2020, at college auditorium. Ms. Mary Dominic, the Municipal Chairperson of Pala, honored us by being the Chief Guest of the day. Ms. Dominic delivered an insightful address on the theme, "Democracy in Action: The Role of Youth in Elections." Her words resonated deeply with the audience, emphasizing the pivotal role that young individuals play in shaping the democratic process. Ms. Dominic's speech enlightened the students, encouraging them to actively participate in the electoral process and become responsible citizens.





## 2018-2019

## **Inauguration of ELC club**

The Electoral Literacy Club was formally inaugurated on 26<sup>th</sup> November ,2018 by Sri. Murali Gopal Pandalai, Judge, Family Court, Pala.In his inaugural address, Sri. Murali Gopal Pandalai emphasized the significance of voting as a sacred duty.





The office bearers of the Club are

- Principal Dr. Sr. Gigymol M.G- Chairperson,
- Vice Principal Rev. Dr. Shaji John, Vice Chair person,
- Ms. Rubymol Philip, Department of Political Science Co Ordinator,
- Dr. Dani Mathew M, Dept .of Botany Memeber
- Ms. Diana Elizabeth Jose Department of Chemistry, Member
- Kum. Anu Augustine and Kum. Hridya Sojan- Student coordinators-Campus Ambassadoors.

Ms. Rubymol Philip attended two training programmes imparted by Taluk Office, Meenachil. Our students also attended training programmes on the enlistment of new voters to the electoral list and they enlisted 174 students in the voters list.

## **Class on the Working Of VVPAT**

A demonstration class on the working of VVPAT was organised by Taluk Office , Meenachil for the student community of the college on  $13^{\text{th}}$  February , 2019.





The faculty and student representatives of the club also attended VVPAT Training on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2019 at Muncipal Town Hall, Pala.

#### **National Voters Day Celebration**

A lecture on Election procedure and Electoral reforms was delivered by Dr. Stany Thomas, Associate Professor, St. Thomas College, Pala, on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019. This was organised mainly to sensitise and motivate the student community in general and the new voters in particular on the importance of their right to vote as an Indian citizen.



