

Rev. Dr Jose Joseph Pulavelil Memorial Lecture Series

The Rev. Dr. Jose Joseph Pulavelil Memorial Lecture Series was inaugurated on 24th September 2024 with Dr. Shashi Tharoor, Member of Parliament, as the speaker. Dr. Tharoor spoke on the topic “Is the Pen Really Mightier than the Sword?”, drawing on his experience as both a politician and writer. His lecture examined how words and ideas have shaped societies over time, questioning the traditional understanding of the relationship between writing and political power. The event served as a fitting start to a lecture series that honours the memory of Rev. Dr. Jose Joseph Pulavelil, the former Head of the Department of English and Bursar of the college, whose contributions to the institution left a lasting impact. The inaugural session attracted a good turnout and set expectations for the lectures that will follow in the series.

The image is a composite of two parts. On the left is a poster for the 'Rev. Dr. Jose Joseph Pulavelil Memorial Lecture Series' at Alphonso College, Pala. The poster includes the college's logo and name, an aerial view of the campus, and a portrait of the speaker, Dr. Shashi Tharoor MP. It lists the 'FIRST LECTURE' and identifies the guests in the presence: Msgr. Dr. Joseph Thadathil (Manager), H.E. Mar Joseph Kallarangatt (Patron), and Rev. Dr. Shaji John (Principal). The event is scheduled for 2:30 PM on 24 September 2024 in the Auditorium, organized by the Postgraduate Department of English.

On the right is a photograph of Dr. Shashi Tharoor speaking at a podium. He is wearing a dark vest over a light blue shirt and is gesturing with his right hand while speaking into a microphone. The background shows a blurred banner with the text 'Rev. Dr. Jose Joseph Pulavelil Memorial' and 'LECTURE SERIES'.



