

REPORT OF ENGLISH LITERARY ASSOCIATION (SHIFT - I) - (2015-2016)

The English Literary Association (ELA) commenced its activities with the inauguration of the **SPEAKPARK**, an innovative venture which was continued for the fourth consecutive year successfully on 11th August 2015 with Mr.M.Muruganandam Assistant Professor of English, Rajapalayam Raju's College Rajapalayam in the Chair. Around 50 students utilised the opportunity and showcased their skills in speaking. The learned faculty from various departments encouraged the students by their presence and suggestions for better performance. Dr.A. Roselin Mary, Associate Professor, Department of English, Fatima College was the Guest Speaker for the valediction of Speakpark held on 21th March 2016. All the participants were encouraged with a token of appreciation and a certificate.

As a part of the activities of the English Literary Association, the Department of English organized its eighth edition of **THEATRE FEST** on 12th February 2016. The event was conceived to unlock the hidden theatrical potentials of the students and in particular to induce in them an interest for English language. Rev.Fr.I.Antony Rajan, Parish Priest, Christ the King Church, Vilangudi and Dr.V.Christopher Ramesh, Assistant Professor of English, Government Arts College, Melur, Madurai were the Special Invitees. Inaugurating the Fest, they instilled a festive spirit in the minds of the dramatic personae as well as the audience. Students from eight departments showcased their multi-skills of theatre arts and exhibited their proficiency in communication besides entertaining the audience with their expert performances choosing an array of themes. The first, second and third prizes were bagged by the students of Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry respectively. Mr.S.Jesurajan, Head, Department of English welcomed the gathering.

With the aim of enhancing the level of vocabulary of the students, English films were screened regularly for all I & II UG students to enhance their spoken skills and theatrical aptitude. With a view of promoting the presentation skills of the students, documentaries and audio CDs were played periodically. These documentaries and audio lessons helped to develop their communicative and the analytical skills. In addition to these activities, to enhance the four language skills, LSRW of the students, the association conducted various competitions, namely, turn coat, spelling analogy, verse writing and script writing. Many students came forward enthusiastically and displayed their multi-skills.