Report for the Month of February, 2020

1. Central Office

> Appointment of Chairman, Kalakshetra Foundation:

Shri S. Ramadorai has been appointed as the Chairman of the Kalakshetra Foundation for a term of five years vide Gazette Notification issued in the Gazette of India by the Ministry of Culture F.No.11/05/2019-Akad. dt.18th February 2020.

Procurement of a bus through donation

LML ISUZU make Executive LX Coach which can ferry 26 passengers was donated by Murugappa Morgan Thermal Ceramic Ltd., under CSR Sponsorship. The bus will be put to use for the travel of the Repertory for its performances.

As part of Hamsadhwani's 30th Annual Art Festival, **Shri M.Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India** visited Kalakshetra Foundation on 26.2.2020 to bestow an award to Shri M.Chandrasekharan, Violin Maestro by HAMSADHWANI. Kalakshetra presented a Dance-Drama — Maha Pattabhishekam on that occasion. Kalakshetra received a performance fee of amount of Rs.1.25 lakhs.



Shri M.Chandrasekharan, Violin Maestro receiving award from Shri M.Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India

Capital works

The following work was awarded during February 2020

Name of work	Value
Providing laying paver block sit out area in front of Sankara Menon	Rs. 8,28,861/-
Block and other civil works at Besant Theosophical Higher Secondary	
School (BTHSS) campus	

The exhibition ground was rented out and an income of Rs.5,90,000/- was received during the month.

2. Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts

- ➤ Thyagaraja Aradhana was celebrated as usual with grandeur at Kalakshetra with the bhajans and procession to Sri Marundeeswarar Temple and back. The staff and students of Kalakshetra rendered Pancha Rathna Krithis on 13th February 2020 (Thursday).
- > Internal exams for the students was conducted for the March / April 2020 Semester exams
- Prospectus for the next academic year was finalized and uploaded in the Kalakshetra website.
- ➤ Online portal inviting applications for the next academic year was opened on 12.02.2020.

3. Craft Education and Research Centre

I. Production for the month of February 2020

S.No.	Block Printing Section	No of items
1	Blouse Bit	78
2	Stole	105
3	D Bedsheet	17
4	T Cloth Big	57
5	Dress material	38.15 Mts
6	Lungi	7
7	Dupatta Viole	8
8	Scarf	1
9	T Cloth Small	1

S.No	Hand Painting Section	No of Items
1	Dupatta Viole	1
2	Wall panel	17
3	Painted – Frame	33

S.No	Handloom Products	No of items
1	Silk Saris	3
2	Silk Shawl	8
3	Cotton Saree	8
4	Cotton Dupatta	180
5	Cotton Korvai Saree	4

II.Sales

S.No	Kalamkari Unit	Amount
1	Kalamkari Sales	203121
2	Visitor's fees	6600
3	Job Order	5660
4	HP Course fees	48000
4	CERC Weaving	388068
Total	Total	651449

4. Theatre

- ➤ Kalakshetra Foundation has performed a variety programme and lecture demonstration on 1st February 2020 at Chennai for German Teachers' Conference South India and Sri Lanka" at Goethe Institut, Max Muller Bhavan. We have received an amount of Rs.50,000/- for this programme.
- ➤ Kalakshetra Foundation collaborated with ART TO CONNECT an NGO in organizing the award function on 2.2.2020. The organisaiton is involved with the social cause to sensitize children in regular schools towards their friends with special needs.
- ➤ Kalakshetra Foundation has performed Bharatanatyam programme on 3rd February 2020 at Thanjavur for Brigadeshwara Temple Kumbabishekam organized by South zone. An amount of Rs.1,00,000/- was received from South Zone Culture Centre.
- As part of North East initiative, Kalakshetra Foundation has performed in North eastern states from 6th to 11th February 2020 at the following places—

6/2/2020 - Silchar - Shanti sutra

7/2/2020 - Shillong - Bharatanatyam

8/2/2020 - Guwahati - Bharatanatyam

9/2/2020 - Jorhat - Shanti sutra

10/2/2020 – Mangaldoi- Shanti sutra

11/2/2020 - Guwahati - Jatayu Moksham

- Kalakshetra Foundation celebrated Trinity Festival to celebrate the Carnatic Music Triumvirate on 13 & 14 February
 - 13th February Bharata Kalanjali presented Thyagaraja Vaibhavam 14th – February – Carnatic Vocal by Neyveli R. Santhanagopalan
- As part of North East initiative, on 18.2.2020 Kalakshetra foundation organized performance by Kuyingpong Culture Society of the Sangtam Naga Tribe and a Bead Workshop by Runway Nagaland. An interactive session was also held between with Chizami Weavers of Nagaland with the weavers of Kalakshetra.
- ➤ Kalakshetra Foundation celebrated Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival from 25th to 29th February

Date	Programme	
25 February	'Koormaavatharam' Dance Drama by Kalakshetra Foundation	
26 February	Hindustani Music- Sarod concert by Ustad Amjad Ali Khan, Aman Ali	
	Bangash, Ayan Ali Bangash	
27 February	Carnatic Vocal by Sanjay Subramanyan	
28 February	Vishakha- Offshoots of Great Banyan	
29 February	Villupattu by Bharathi Thirumagan	
29 February	Bharatanatyam by Gayatri Devi	
29 February	Namasankeerthanam by Kalaimamani Dr.K Kalyanaraman	
29 February	'Choodamani Pradanam' Dance Drama by Kalakshetra Foundation	



Hindustani Music - Sarod concert by Ustad Amjad Ali Khan, Aman Ali Bangash and Ayan Ali Bangash



Carnatic Vocal by Shri Sanjay Subramanyan

> Approximately an income of Rs.4.61 Lakh was received through ticket sales for the Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival.

➤ Kalakshetra Foundation has performed variety dance performance on 27th February 2020 at Chennai for Indian coast guard. An amount of Rs.1,00,000/- was received from Indian

Coast Guard as performance fee.

During the month of February we have received an amount of Rs.46,000/- towards rental charges for our Theatre and Rs.32,500/- for two collaborative events as administrative charges.

5. Archives

- > 50 hours of video programming available for viewing
- > 100GB of data backed up on archival optical discs
- > 5000 images processed for viewing and utilisation
- > 6000 files in system tagged for retrieval

6. Outreach

> Online ticket sales was done for the Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival

➤ Wide publicity was done for the Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival in electronic media, social networking sites and in print media. More than 90 posts on various online platforms – Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

> Cultural Ministry's weekly social media reports were updated

> Guided tour for visitors was organised.

7. Besant Arundale Senior Secondary School

- > On 10th Feb students took Oath on Leprosy Day to treat leprosy affected as equals with respects.
- > On 12th Feb the School Basket Ball team won second prize in the Interschool Basket Ball tournament
- > On 24th Feb Oath was taken on Rukmini Devi's death anniversary to treat all as equals and not to hurt anyone.
 - > On 27th Feb students of 4th Std. were taken to Vu Ve Swaminatha Iyer Library to know about manuscripts written on Palm Leaves.

8. Besant Theosophical Higher Secondary School

➤ On 13th February 2020 Fire Service Department gave demo and awareness on fire safety and first aid methods.

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10.	Assistant and other 39 posts in KF. Framing of Kalakshetra Foundation Regulations	November 2018
11.	Creation of one post of Estate Manager	January 2019
12.	Amendment to Recruitment Rules for Deputy Director and 14	March 2019
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