

## Report for the Month of July 2017

### 1. Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts

- (i) Dr. Sudha Seshayyan, Director at Madras Medical College and a well-known religious orator conducted a lecture demonstration on "Ashtapadi" for the 4th year dance students on 8th July 2017 at Chandu Panicker Cottage
- (ii) A workshop was conducted by Dr. Sudha Seshayyan on "Gita Govindam" for the 4th Year dance & Post diploma dance students on 13th & 14th July 2017.
- (iii) Lecture Demonstration on "Divyanama Krithis" on 25th July 2017 at Tagore Hall for the music students by Dr. S. Soumya, a well-known Carnatic Singer

### 2. Craft Education and Research Centre

#### I. Production

Sl. No.	Printing Section	No. of items
1	Towel	41 Nos.
2	Lungi	9 Nos.
3	Stole	0 Nos.
4	Blouse	12 Nos.
5	Dress material	8 Mts
6	Dupatta	11 Nos.
7	Table Cloth (Big)	4 Nos.
8	Salwar set	38 Nos.
9	Sari	28 Nos.
10	Single Bed Spread	18 sets
11	Table mat with Napkin	46 set

<b>Painting Section</b>		
1	Wall panel small	46 Nos

<b>Made up articles</b>		
1	Kammal	15 sets
2	Travel Bag	27 Nos

<b>Weaving Department</b>		
1	Silk Sari	5 Nos
2	Silk Stole	6 Nos
3	Cotton Sari	20 Nos

## **II. Sales**

Weaving Dept.	Rs.3,64,016
Kalamkari Unit	Rs.1,20,835

## **3. Museum**

- (i) Music instruments and some general photographs were transferred from Sampradaya to museum.
- (ii) Porcelain artefacts were procured that were made during the Regional Camp in 2010 and Indo- Korean workshop in January 2012 and January 2015 held at the Art Centre, Kalakshetra Foundation.
- (iii) Inventory of additional artefacts of Smt. Rukmini Devi were completed and the artefacts were moved to the museum.

#### 4. Library

- (i) Kalakshetra journals and books that are for sale were transferred from Old Central Office to Tashling hostel making more room for Montessori Section
- (ii) Sampradaya library books were shifted from Sankara Menon Library to R & D library

#### 5. Theatre

Rukmini Arangam Theater is under renovation. Hence, no performance can be conducted until the theater is ready

#### 6. Repertory

- (i) Kalakshetra Foundation performed "Mahapattabhishekam" Dance Drama at Trivandrum, Kerala, on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017 for the inauguration of a new Bharatanatyam Institute. "Abhinavakshetra" setup by Abhinavakshetra Charitable Society (Reg. No. 32/4/2017). This charitable society was started by Mr. Sai



Krishnan, ex-Alumni of Kalakshetra, which aims to spread tradition of Kalakshetra Bani of Bharatanatyam in the cultural city of Trivandrum. A group of 44 members from Kalakshetra participated in this program. Kalakshetra Foundation received a fee of Rs 90,000

- (ii) As a part of International Conference 'Electron Microscopy and Allied Techniques' Kalakshetra performed variety program on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at Confluence Banquets and Resort, Mamallapuram. A group of 43 members from Kalakshetra participated in this program. This was organized by the Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research, Department of Atomic Energy, Government of India, Kalpakkam. A fee of Rs 1,50,000 was received by Kalakshetra Foundation for this performance

## 7. Central Office

The renovation work of Rukmini Arangam was awarded to CPWD. The civil work is going on in full swing

## 8. Outreach

- (i) INCARE (Indian Centre for Animal Rights and Education) an NGO for animals conducted a free welfare camp on 9<sup>th</sup> July at Kalakshetra. More than 50 people came with their pets; they were vaccinated and checked for various diseases
- (ii) Dr. V. R. Devika, a well-known scholar conducted Heritage Walk for TAFE (Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited) members on 11<sup>th</sup> July. Area around the Banyan tree and Tagore were decorated. Special lecture and dance performance was organised for the group
- (iii) Revised tariff for Kalakshetra visit /Kalakshetra heritage walk was implemented and the information was put up on the website
- (v) As a part of Murugappa Scholarship fund, fitness workshop for 4-dance scholars was organised
- (vi) Outreach files at Shanthi were sorted, rearranged and numbered
- (vii) Kalakshetra Foundation brochure work is in progress

## 9. Besant Arundale Senior Secondary School

- (i) A workshop was organized on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017 by Trinity College London on different techniques for teaching and assessment of English language skills
- (ii) On 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 students participated in an Inter-School Cultural competition conducted by D.A.V. Public School. Scouts and Guides attended the Rajyapurashkar Test Camp from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2017
- (iii) The student's council was installed and the co-curricular activities were inaugurated on 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2017. Professor R. Ramanujam from Institute of Mathematical Sciences spoke on the occasion.
- (iv) 'Principals' Meet' at Bhavan's Rajaji Vidyashram on 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 was attended by the Principal.
- (v) Saraswathi Book House sponsored a Seminar for Principals on 'The making of Ready-to-learn child' which was attended the Principal on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2017

10. **Besant Theosophical Higher Secondary School**

- (i) Chess competition was held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017
- (ii) Volley Ball and Badminton match was held on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017
- (iii) Zonal level Tennikoit match was conducted on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017
- (iv) Interview for BT Assistant and SGT for Primary Section was held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2017 and appointments made on contract basis.

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