

## SHINE Extension Programme

The inauguration of the SHINE Extension Programme was successfully conducted on 07 August 2025 at 9.30 a.m. in the Auditorium of Loyola College of Arts and Science. The programme was organized by the Department of Outreach with the objective of encouraging students to actively participate in social service and community development activities.



The programme began with a prayer song, followed by a warm welcome address delivered by the SHINE Coordinator, Mr. T. Edward Francis. He highlighted the importance of extension activities in developing leadership qualities, social responsibility, and service-mindedness among students.

The Resource Person for the programme was E.N. Surendran, President of Rotary Club and Former Divisional Manager and Head of Ashok Leyland Driver Training Institute. In his inaugural address, he emphasized the value of serving society and encouraged students to use their knowledge and skills for the welfare of rural communities. He also shared his experiences and motivated students to become responsible citizens.

The felicitation address was delivered by Rev. Dr. Dominic Jayakumar SJ, Superior, who appreciated the efforts of the Department of Outreach in organizing such meaningful programmes. Rev. Dr. Danis Ponniah SJ, Secretary, Rev. Fr. Pon Ruban SJ, Vice Principal (Academics), Dr. Josephine Daisy J, Principal, and Mr. J. Amuthan, Vice Principal (Administration), also extended their best wishes for the success of the programme.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to the management, resource person, faculty members, and students for their support and participation.

Overall, the inauguration of the SHINE Extension Programme was inspiring and informative. It motivated students to actively engage in extension activities and contribute positively to society.



## VILLAGE VISIT

The SHINE Extension Programme of Loyola College of Arts and Science organized a village visit as part of its outreach and community service initiative. The main objective of the visit was to understand the socio-economic conditions of the rural people and to collect survey data for planning extension activities.

The village visit was conducted by SHINE student volunteers under the guidance of the SHINE Coordinator, Mr. T. Edward Francis, and faculty members. A total of **8 villages** were visited during this programme. The students actively interacted with the villagers and collected information about their family background, education, occupation, health, sanitation, and basic needs.

During the visit, the students successfully collected **210 survey forms** from the villagers. The survey helped to identify the major problems and needs of the rural community, such as education support, health awareness, sanitation facilities, and employment opportunities.

The students also created awareness among the villagers about the importance of education, personal hygiene, and government welfare schemes. The villagers responded positively and appreciated the efforts of the SHINE team.

This village visit helped the students gain practical knowledge, improve communication skills, and develop social responsibility. It also strengthened the relationship between the college and the rural community.

The programme was meaningful and successful, and the collected survey data will be used to plan future extension activities for the welfare and development of the villages.



