# A REPORT ON THE EVENT "PONGAL DAY" –12th JANUARY 2024

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## Sir/Madam,

I am writing to provide a detailed report on the Pongal Celebration held at Jerusalem College Campus on 12.01.2024. The event was organized by the Student Council members in collaboration with various student groups and aimed at fostering cultural diversity and promoting traditional Indian festivities.

#### **Event Overview:**

The Pongal Celebration at Jerusalem College Campus was a vibrant and joyous occasion that brought together students, faculty, and staff to commemorate the harvest festival. The event was held in the college's central courtyard and featured a range of traditional activities, performances, and decorations.

#### **Activities and Traditions:**

- 1. **Pongal Cooking Competition:** A highlight of the celebration was the Pongal cooking competition, where students enthusiastically participated in preparing the traditional dish. The competition provided a platform for showcasing culinary skills and creativity as participants incorporated diverse ingredients while adhering to the essence of Pongal.
- 2. **Traditional Pongal Pot Decoration:** Another engaging activity was the traditional Pongal pot decoration contest. Participants showcased their artistic abilities by embellishing the pots with colorful designs, traditional motifs, and festive elements. This added a visual appeal to the event and created a lively atmosphere.

3. **Cultural Performances:** The cultural program included various performances such as folk dances, classical music, and skits that highlighted the cultural richness of Pongal. Students presented traditional songs and dances, infusing the celebration with a sense of joy and unity.

#### **Decorations and Ambiance:**

The entire campus was adorned with traditional decorations, including rangoli designs, sugarcane, and floral arrangements. The festive ambiance was enhanced by the presence of vibrant colors, traditional music, and the aroma of Pongal wafting through the air.

## **Inclusivity and Participation:**

The celebration actively promoted inclusivity, with students from various cultural backgrounds participating in the festivities. This not only allowed for cultural exchange but also fostered a sense of unity among the diverse student body.

# **Community Engagement:**

As part of the celebration, the college organized outreach activities to engage with the local community. This included distributing Pongal sweets to nearby residents, spreading awareness about the cultural significance of the festival, and inviting community members to join the festivities.

# **Conclusion:**

The Pongal Celebration at Jerusalem College Campus was a resounding success, encapsulating the spirit of unity, diversity, and cultural richness. The event provided an opportunity for students to connect with their cultural roots, share traditions, and create lasting memories.

We believe that such cultural celebrations contribute to the holistic development of the college community and foster a sense of pride and belonging among the students. We appreciate the support of the Indian Religious and Cultural Society in promoting and preserving our cultural heritage.







Yours Faithfully,
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