

THIAGARAJAR COLLEGE: MADURAI - 625 009

PROGRAMME REPORT

Part V- Gender Studies (SF)

Special lecture by women studies centre

Date:26.02.2024

Name of the Programme / Title	Special lecture OUR MOTHER INDIAN RICE by women studies centre
Department/Coordinator	Dr.G. Selvarakku
Date	26.02.2024

Report

The Women's Studies Centre conducted a comprehensive study titled "Our Mother Indian Rice", focusing on the cultural, nutritional, and economic significance of rice in India. The study explored rice as not only a staple food but also as a symbol of heritage, sustainability, and women's empowerment. To understand the role of rice in Indian traditions and rituals. To document indigenous rice varieties and their nutritional value. To explore the connection between women farmers and rice cultivation practices. To assess challenges faced by women in the rice production industry. traditional rice varieties were documented, many of which have unique medicinal and ecological benefits . gender studies students also participated with great enthussiasm and had a great experience . organic food such as varaguarasi payasam and cereal laddu .

Signature of the Coordinator

Principal



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**Women's Studies Centre**  
 (Approved by the UGC, New Delhi)

Organizes

**A SPECIAL LECTURE**

On  
 "Our Mother Indian Rice"

by

**Dr. V. Karthikeyan**

Assistant Professor in Botany, Thiagarajar College

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**Mrs. R. Yasodai**

Proprietor, Origin and Organic Shop, Madurai  
 will demonstrate

**"Traditional rice cooking and Recipes preparation"**

Date: 26.02.2024

Venue: CHI

Time: 10.00 a.m

Mrs. R. Sribala  
 Director, WSC

Dr. Uma Kannan  
 Chairperson, WSC

Dr. D. Pandiaraja  
 Principal

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## PROGRAMME

- 10.00 a.m. : Prayer
- 10.05 a.m. : Welcome Address  
**Mrs. R. SRIBALA**  
 Director, WSC, Thiagarajar College
- 10.10 a.m. : Presidential Address  
**DR. D. PANDIARAJA**  
 Principal, Thiagarajar College
- 10.15 a.m. : Special Lecture  
**DR. V. KARTHIKEYAN**  
 Assistant Professor in Botany  
 Thiagarajar College
- Topic : "Our Mother Indian Rice"
- 11.30 a.m. : **Mrs. R. YASODAI**  
 Proprietor, Origin and Organic Shop, Madurai
- Topic : "Traditional Rice cooking and Recipes preparation"
- Vote of thanks : **DR. R. ARUNA**  
 Programme Coordinator, WSC  
 Thiagarajar College.

### Organizing Committee:

1. Dr. C. Usha, Coordinator, Gender Studies
2. Dr. D. Sasi Devi, Assistant Coordinator, WSC
3. Dr. G. Selvarakku, Coordinator (SF) Gender Studies

