

YOUTH RED CROSS (YRC) REPORT

Event 1

One-Day District Level Training Workshop on "Suicide Prevention and Drug Abuse Awareness"

Date: 11.12.2025 Venue: District Collectorate Office, Namakkal

A one-day district-level training workshop on "Suicide Prevention and Drug Abuse Awareness" was held at the Namakkal District Collectorate on December 11, 2025. The program began with a welcome speech by Mr. Rajeshkumar, District Secretary of Namakkal YRC. The District Collector of Namakkal attended as the Chief Guest and delivered a special address to the participants. Mr. Wesley, Assistant Professor at Arignar Anna Government Arts College and Periyar University YRC District Coordinator, also graced the occasion. YRC Programme Officers from more than 30 colleges across Namakkal district participated in this training session. The workshop focused on educating the coordinators about the importance of mental health and the prevention of drug abuse among college students. The session concluded with a formal Vote of Thanks by Mr. Wesley.





Event 2: BLOOD DONATION CAMP

Date: 26.09.2025

Venue: Loyola College of Arts and Science, Mettala

A mega Blood Donation Camp was organized at Loyola College of Arts and Science, Mettala, on September 26, 2025. This social service initiative was jointly conducted by the Youth Red Cross (YRC) and the National Service Scheme (NSS) units of the college. The program began with a Welcome Address by Mr. K. Thangavel, Assistant Professor of Tamil and YRC Programme Officer. Following this, the Rev. Father Rector, Rev. Father Secretary, and the Principal of the college delivered special addresses and officially inaugurated the blood donation camp. During the camp, a total of 90 units of blood were donated by the enthusiastic student volunteers. To appreciate their noble gesture and ensure their health, all the donors were provided with refreshments, including cool drinks, biscuits, and T-shirts. The successful event concluded with a Vote of Thanks proposed by Mr. Mohan, Assistant Professor of English and NSS Programme Officer





Event 3:

AIDS AWARENESS PROGRAMME

On September 19, 2025, a significant AIDS awareness lecture was organized at Loyola College of Arts and Science, Mettala, by the Youth Red Cross (YRC) in coordination with the National Service Scheme (NSS). The event was formally inaugurated by the College Secretary and the Principal, highlighting the role of youth in social health. Dr. Anbu Selvi from the Namagiripettai Government Hospital participated as the Chief Guest and delivered an expert lecture on HIV virus awareness, strategies to handle sexual health issues, and essential self-protection methods. The program was excellently coordinated by YRC Coordinator Mr. K. Thangavel, Assistant Professor of Tamil, along with the NSS Coordinator. The session began with a welcome address by the YRC Coordinator and concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. Mohan, NSS Coordinator and Assistant Professor of English, with more than 150 students actively participating and gaining vital health insights.





Event 4

DISTRICT LEVEL YRC STUDY CAMP – A REPORT

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Event 6

A special talk on Drug Awareness entitled “ Botahiyaal Maarum Paathai” – A REPORT

On January 22, 2026, the NSS Special Camp at Mangalapuram hosted a vital awareness program titled "**Drug Leads to Death**," featuring **Mr. K. Thangavel**, Coordinator of the YRC Club at Loyola College of Arts and Science, as the Chief Guest. Addressing the gathered volunteers and community members, Mr. Thangavel delivered a powerful discourse on the lethal consequences of substance abuse, emphasizing how addiction systematically destroys physical health, social standing, and future aspirations. The session served as a sobering wake-up call, reinforcing the collective responsibility of youth to foster a drug-free environment, and concluded with a committed resolve among the NSS volunteers to champion healthy lifestyles within their communities.



