



## MERCY COLLEGE

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### REPORT ON THRIVE PROGRAMME PARTICIPATION Academic Year 2024–2025



## Programme Overview

THRIVE (Tribal Higher Education and Interactive Ventures for Excellence) is a government initiative jointly implemented by the **Kerala Youth Leadership Academy (KYLA)**, the **Directorate of Samoochika Sannadhasena (Community Volunteer Corps)**, and the **Department of Scheduled Tribe Development**. The programme is designed to provide sustained academic support, mentorship, and personal development opportunities for students belonging to tribal communities across Kerala.

The initiative focuses on empowering students from **Model Residential Schools** by delivering high-quality, relevant, and interactive educational content. Through collaborations with nearby colleges, NGOs, and academic institutions, THRIVE uses both **virtual and in-person sessions** to nurture academic skills, confidence, and career aspirations. The programme also integrates hands-on learning experiences, exposure visits, and creative platforms that help students prepare for higher education and future employment in the modern workforce.

This report documents the activities and contributions of Mercy College, Palakkad, to the THRIVE programme during the **academic year 2024–2025**.

## Mercy College Participation

Six student volunteers from **Mercy College, Palakkad** participated in the THRIVE programme and attended the training camp for three days from **5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> of August, 2024** at **LEAD College, Dhoni**. The team consisted students: Raina Shirin C A and Raniya N from BA History, Shahla M from BSc Zoology, S Shabeeba, Hafeeza Beegum S I and Harshana Rahman from BA English. All volunteers were placed in the **Languages Team**, working alongside students from **Yuvakshetra College, Palakkad**. The programme was supervised and guided by the **faculty coordinator of Mercy College, Dr Nithya AA, Assistant Professor & Head of the Department Of Mathematics**, who supported the volunteers throughout their engagement with THRIVE.

The volunteers were assigned to **Ashram Model Residential School, Malampuzha**, where they supported students of **Classes 8 and 9** by conducting language-based learning sessions and related academic activities.

## Key Activities Conducted

The programme activities began with the **first session on 10th August 2024**, conducted by the Language Team for Class 8 and 9 students of Ashram Model Residential School, Malampuzha. Following this, Mercy College volunteers continued to conduct **monthly three-hour language sessions** on selected weekends, focusing on enhancing English and Malayalam communication skills through interactive and student-centered methods.

In addition to classroom sessions, Mercy College organized a **one-day exposure visit** for the school students, enabling them to explore college departments, interact with faculty and students, and gain insights into higher education pathways.

Three Mercy College volunteers, : Raina Shirin C A and Raniya N from BA History, Shahla M from BSc Zoology, contributed to the **state-level THRIVE magazine competition** held among various Model Residential Schools (MRS), by participating in the editorial and creative team responsible for compiling **student writings, artwork, and reflections** for *കമ്മ്യൂണിറ്റി* (KANESI) of MRS Malampuzha. The programme also included the **launch of magazines** from MRS Mukkali and MRS Malampuzha, inaugurated by the **Honourable Sub Collector of Ottappalam, Palakkad**, providing recognition and encouragement to the students.

## Outcomes and Impact

The THRIVE activities led to meaningful improvements among Class 8 and 9 students, particularly in language proficiency, communication confidence, and motivation toward higher education. The college visit expanded their exposure and aspirations, while participation in the magazine fostered creativity and teamwork.

Mercy College volunteers benefitted equally, gaining valuable experience in teaching, leadership, coordination, and community engagement. **All volunteers received certificates documenting the total number of service hours they contributed to the programme**, acknowledging their commitment and participation.



THRIVE 3-Day Training Camp at Lead College, Dhoni.



First session at Ashram School Malampuzha for class 8 and 9 on 10<sup>th</sup> of August 2024.



Launching the magazines of MRS Mukkali and MRS Malampuzha by Honourable Sub collector of Ottappalam, Palakkad.

## COLLEGE VISIT



College volunteers awarded certificates for their contributions to THRIVE, with Principal and Faculty Coordinator

Signature Of The Principal      Signature Of The Faculty Coordinator      Signature Of The Student Coordinator