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## RESEARCH & POSTGRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

### SKY GAZING PROGRAM

**Objectives :** To promote interest and curiosity and to ignite a passion for astronomy and space exploration in students. To provide hands on learning experience. To raise environmental awareness regarding the issue of light pollution To encourage scientific thinking and enquiry.



**Report:** The Space Club of Mercy College, Palakkad, under the PG Department of Physics, organized a sky watch event on 02 February 2026 from 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm on the college campus. The session was led by Mr. A. Sreedharan and Mr. A. Murthy Krishnan from the Malappuram Amateur Astronomers Society (MAARS). The program included a talk on the origin of the universe and star formation, followed by a telescope-assisted night sky observation of stars, planets, and constellations.

**Outcome:** The event inspired interest in astronomy among participants and provided practical experience in using telescopes and observational tools. The interactive session also encouraged curiosity and a scientific approach to exploring the night sky.

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