

# **INTER-DISCIPLINARY SEMINAR ON THE ROLE OF PATENTS IN PROTECTING AYURVEDA AND YOGA**

**In Collaboration With**

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<b>DATE</b>	<b>NUMBER OF STUDENTS PARTICIPATED</b>
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## **BRIEF REPORT**

Ayurveda as a system of medicine has got due recognition and applaud worldwide. The Intellectual Property Rights under World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and Patents received to ayurvedic propertied medicines and plants have attracted many to this field mainly for commercial purposes. This wide commercialization of ayurvedic medicines has led to several ill practices in Ayurveda. Recognizing the importance of protecting Ayurveda and its relevance in everyday life of humans, Department of Malayalam has organized a seminar on Role of patents in protecting traditional knowledge by giving special emphasis on Ayurveda and yoga as system of medicines. The seminar briefed the need for amending existing patent laws for getting patents for ayurvedic medicines, new inventions on ayurvedic field, propagating yoga and Ayurveda for making people “Swastha”.

The Post Graduate and Research Department of Malayalam organized an academic collaborative seminar on Ayurveda and Yoga for holistic Development on 29.09.2015 with the financial support, expertise and mutual understanding of Pathanjali Padanakendram, Sree Sankaracharya Sanskrit University, Kalady. P. Balachandran, Renowned screen playwright, Actor and Former Professor, School of Letters, MG University Kottayam, inaugurated the workshop. In the morning session Prof. Dr. V. M Paramesvaran Potti delivered a Lecture on 'The Imaginative Construction and role of patents in protecting Ayurveda in Modern and ancient perspectives'. The Principal, Rev. Dr. Vincent Joseph presided over the meeting. Dr. Sanish P. B welcomed the gathering. Dr. Lissy Joseph, Head of the department felicitated in the meeting. Dr. Beenamma Mathew proposed the vote of thanks.

Prof. P. Manoharan Retired Professor, Kannur University delivered a lecture on 'Yoga and Tranquility in Life in the afternoon session. Dr. Annie Thomas welcomed the gathering and Asst. Prof. Seema Joseph proposed the vote of thanks .Teachers and students from nearby colleges participated in the programme. Dr. Beenamma Mathew and Dr. Sanish P.B, were the co-ordinators of the program.

